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AKRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SD Community Planning Team Meeting #1
Helen Arnold Community Learning Center
Thursday, June 3, 2004 @ 5:30 p.m.
At the Vernon Odom Library

In Attendance

C. Moody	AAG
K. Waller.....	AAG
J. George	Akron Public Schools
D. James.....	Akron Public Schools
J. Beal.....	Akron Public Schools
T. Long.....	City of Akron
R. Hotchkiss.....	APS Staff
B. Cacioppo	APS Staff
C. Walker.....	CPT
T. Moody.....	CPT
J. Calhoun.....	CPT
E. Calhoun.....	CPT
H. Harris	CPT
C. Mays.....	CPT
I. Williams	CPT
C. Scott	CPT
L. Bluntt.....	CPT
B. Caldwell	CPT
E. Chambers	CPT
G. Arnold	CPT
S. Spooney	CPT
E. Stewart.....	CPT
L. Ebenezer.....	CPT
B. Perkins.....	CPT

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M. Williamson	City of Akron
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L. Jennings	Burges and Burges
B. Williams	Akron Urban League

The following is a review of items discussed at the meeting:

1. K. Waller opened the meeting by updating the CPT on the discussions which have taken place with APS, City of Akron and Akron Public Schools. The gymnasium is being enhanced to 8,000 square feet. The city has agreed to relocate the existing water line to eliminate the constraints being put on the design of the site.
2. C. Moody presented several schemes illustrating different options on the layout of the site. Rationales for the various building layouts were described as well as the drawbacks of each scenario.
3. Schemes 'A' & 'B' operate rather efficiently from a building layout standpoint. However, they are located too far away from the Urban League and should move to the north. The result is bringing more of the school along the east edge of the site. Both schemes provide continuity between HACLC and AUL parking areas.
4. Scheme 'C' positions the CLC closer to AUL but does not provide a physical connection between both facilities.
5. Scheme 'D' includes a breezeway connector between the 2 facilities. Scheme 'E' connects the 2 facilities with the Kindergarten wing positioned near the AUL daycare. In both schemes a drop-off drive is positioned at the connector. Additionally, these schemes provide separate parking that is concentrated at north and south sides of the site near the 2 buildings. A drive could be provided that would connect the 2 parking areas.
6. Security for both buildings could be achieved by controlling access through the connector.
7. CPT members expressed concerns about Kindergarten safety in Scheme 'E' where they are located along the corridor and remote from the administration area.
8. J. Beal asked about the proximity of restrooms to public areas. K. Waller shared options for providing more restrooms or strategically locating them for public use.
9. T. Long stated that the city's involvement comes via a Joint Use Agreement with the schools. However, no such contractual obligation exists with the Akron Urban.
10. A CPT member asked about other examples where schools have shared sites or facilities with other entities. Examples around northeast Ohio were cited.
11. A CPT member asked about keeping public and AUL traffic out of the school.
12. Information for the next meeting will be determined once APS, AUL, and City of Akron have had an opportunity to coordinate some specific arrangements for site and facility usage.

The preceding is AAG's interpretation of the meeting. Any changes, additions, or clarifications should be forwarded to our office as soon as possible. Unless these changes are furnished within ten (10) working days, it will be understood that all parties are in agreement with the preceding statements.