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## AKRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Community Planning Meeting #2  
Fairlawn Elementary Community Learning Center  
Thursday, January 15, 2004 @ 6:00 p.m.**

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### In Attendance

D. Mitchell.....	AAG
S. Lukens.....	AAG
D. Check.....	AAG
J. Tuckerman .....	OSFC
J. Beal .....	Akron Public Schools
F. Herr .....	Akron Public Schools
L Haugh.....	Akron Public Schools
S. Mink .....	Akron Public Schools
D. James .....	Akron Public Schools
P. Green .....	Akron Public Schools
D. Pancoe.....	Akron Public Schools
J. Smith.....	Akron Public Schools
D. Loomis.....	Akron Public Schools
R. Greene.....	City of Akron
L. Duncan .....	City of Akron
T. Long .....	City of Akron
B. Hill .....	Concordia
J. Sturmi .....	CPT
N. Rosenfeld.....	CPT
M. McCans .....	CPT
J Breiding.....	CPT
J. Bell.....	CPT
B. Grieves.....	CPT
L. Grieves .....	CPT
J. Porter.....	CPT
D Roush .....	CPT
M. Marks.....	CPT
D. Haugh .....	CPT
B. Snyder.....	CPT
J. Shulan.....	CPT
V. Thomas .....	CPT
R. Taylor.....	CPT

B. Krause.....	CPT
B. Tompkins.....	CPT
S. Zachariah.....	CPT
E. Ashcroft.....	CPT
N. Fuller.....	CPT
T. Fuller.....	CPT
T. Kyner.....	CPT
B. Keith.....	CPT
J. Wray.....	CPT
M. Rosenfeld.....	CPT
C. Kunkel.....	CPT
K. England.....	CPT
R. Clinefelter.....	CPT
D. Marks.....	CPT
T. Kunkel.....	CPT
L. Michel.....	CPT
A. Biermann.....	CPT
H. Bowie.....	CPT
C. Diehl.....	CPT
M. Deal.....	CPT
B. Petit.....	CPT
B. Duncan.....	CPT
L. Schindler.....	CPT
E. Bowers.....	CPT
L. Eisinger.....	CPT
B. Kraus.....	CPT
N. Rosenfeld.....	CPT
C. Colopy.....	CPT
S. Shulan.....	CPT
L. Markovich.....	CPT
M. Essig-Marksz.....	CPT
E. Beach.....	CPT

Distribution

AAG Project Managers

M. Salopek.....	AAG
D. Mitchell.....	AAG
D. Loomis.....	Akron Public Schools
J. Beal.....	Akron Public Schools
K. Ingram.....	Akron Public Schools
L. Duncan.....	City of Akron
T. Long.....	City of Akron
M. Williamson.....	City of Akron
D. Krutz.....	RKPS
L. Jennings.....	Burges and Burges
J. Berman.....	Concordia
B. Hill.....	Concordia

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

- D. Loomis introduced the principal participants of the project and gave a brief outline of the scope and purpose of the meeting.
  - D. Loomis made a special introduction of Councilman Bob Keith and APS Board Member Loretta Haugh. Both addressed the Team on the importance of the project and their role in it.
  - All participants introduced themselves and their role in the project.
- D. Mitchell discussed the agenda for the meeting.
- D. Loomis discussed enrollment issues and projections for the Fairlawn school district and for the city of Akron. J. Tuckerman explained how Columbus considers school enrollment for urban areas such as Akron.
- D. Mitchell discussed the building assessment process and how the cost to renovate Fairlawn will be approximately 87% of the cost of a new structure. J. Tuckerman explained some of OSFC s guidelines for assessing recommendations for the construction of a new facility in lieu of renovating an existing building.
- D. Mitchell discussed the master planning for Fairlawn showing site and floor plan studies done to keep the existing facility and providing an addition to meet OSFC guidelines.
- S. Lukens discussed the additional costs required to renovate the existing Fairlawn School, to add an addition to accommodate OSFC s standards, and to provide temporary swing space. The estimated budget to do the above exceeds \$4 million over and above the cost of a new facility. A lengthy discussion from the group concerning the pros and cons of a new facility vs. a renovation/addition followed. The true desires of the school district concerning this issue have not been determined.
- At this point, an OFSC video of successful new schools was presented.
- D. Mitchell showed a series of photographs of some of the new Canton City schools.
- S. Lukens explained the questionnaire previously given to Sandy Mink and he staff. To expeditiously move the meeting along, S. Lukens focused on the community aspects of the proposed Community Learning Center. Some suggestions from the group for community events that could be shared with the school are as follows:
  - Use the green space for community sports such as soccer. Provide accessible bathrooms for the sporting events.
  - The playgrounds could be shared.
  - Chef training was suggested. Culinary courses could be offered in a community kitchen. West Point Market may be interested to assist with these classes.
  - Community indoor recreation, such as basketball, fitness and volleyball could be accommodated in the Gym.
  - Outdoor education or an outdoor land lab may be possible.
  - There are many possibilities to share the LRC/gym and cafeteria with the community.

§ T. Long explained that the City of Akron has a contractual obligation to supervise and maintain the facility for community events.

- D. Loomis invited the group to attend a field trip visit the Alliance Schools on January 24<sup>th</sup>.
- The POR discussion and site discussion were postponed due to the loss of time.
- The next meeting date is set for: January 29, 2004, at 6:00pm.

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.