

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS-UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Second Full Committee Meeting (rescheduled) Wednesday, January, 5, 2011, 7:00 PM Meeting Summary

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MEETING SUMMARY

A. Introduction & New Member introductions— Steve Zannoni, PMC Steve Zannoni introduced several new members of the committee and the agenda for the evening, the Building Assessment and Education sub-committee reports.

B. Board Comments – *Nancy Peppler (on behalf of Eric Coble)*Ms. Peppler read comments from Mr. Coble noting his regrets for a schedule conflict due to the weather-related rescheduling of this meeting. Mr. Coble thanked the committee members for participating in this critical undertaking. Mr. Register was also present.

C. Presentation of Building Assessment Subcommittee Structure – Reggie Evans, Dallas Shubert, Eric Silverman

The subcommittee presented a report that validated the OSFC's assessment of the conditions of the District's existing facilities as consistently in need of repair or replacement. See the attached report.

In a question and answer session from the full committee, it was clarified that the existing facilities, although structurally sound, were systematically and almost uniformly nearing the end of the useful life of many of their systems, especially the mechanical and electrical systems.

D. Presentation Education Subcommittee Structure -Nylajean McDaniel, Jim Posch, Donna Feldman

The subcommittee presented a report that observed that 21st century learning relies on the customized goals of a district balancing efficiency and values to meet the needs of students, teachers, parents and the community. Creating schools that serve all of the stakeholders is likely to involve small schools expansion, selective grade consolidation, customer choice, project-based and relevant teaching, community use of facilities, and the ongoing adoption of changing technology. See the attached report.

In a question and answer session from the full committee, it was emohasized that the educational research and site visits by the subcommittee concluded that facilities have been shown to positively impact educational achievement in conjunction with a culture of engaged learning from the students and teaching staff. Although there were a series of questions regarding best practices or options in implementing 21st century learning, the subcommittee noted that, even though they had seen some examples, options would be deferred to the next set of subcommittees.

E. Public Input

There were questions and comments from the public encouraging the committee to consider environmental issues in and around the buildings, such as sustainable design



initiatives and assessment of the existing environmental conditions as well as social/psychological well being of the student population. Additional comments were collected via comment cards, summarized on the attached sheets.

F. Next Steps

Options Sub-Committee – *Steve Shergalis* Finance Sub-Committee – *Dave Tabor*

Steve Zannoni and Pat O'Brien asked each of the next two sub-committee chairs, Steve Shergalis and Dave Tabor, to describe the charge of their committee, introduce their subcommittee members, and announced their planned meeting dates.

The Options Subcommittee's task is to investigate facilities planning options based on the information provided and any additional research necessary. The first Options Subcommittee meeting is January 12, 2011 at the Board of Education's Board Room at 7 pm and is open to the public as well as other committee members not formally on the subcommittee. The Finance Subcommittee's task is to analyze cost implications of addressing or not addressing current facilities needs as well as the options for funding any additional capital expenditures. The first Finance Subcommittee meeting is January 13, 2011 at the Board of Education's Board Room at 630 pm and is open to the public as well as other committee members not formally on the subcommittee. All future subcommittee meetings will also be posted on the district's website, www.chuh.org.

The next full committee meeting will be held on March 10, 2011.