

Minutes 2012 Bond Project Advisory Team (PAT) Meeting Pilgrim Academy

MEETING #: 11

LOCATION: Pilgrim Academy K-8 **DATE / TIME:** July 7, 2015 4:00 pm

ATTENDEES: (those marked with a check were present)

✓	Diana Castillo	Principal		Edna Chible	Parent
✓	Andrew Casler	Dean of Students	✓	Carrie Flores	Asst. Principal
	Jim Teater	Community		Romerico	Teacher
	Tom Davies	Teacher	✓	Eric Ford	HISD
	Jarrad Lenoir	RDC Architects		David Funk	HISD
✓	Stennis Lenoir	RDC Architects	✓	Albert Wong	HISD

PURPOSE: Review and discuss the design concept floor and site plan updates for the new Building Additions.

AGENDA:

- Review and discuss the further development of the Design Charrette Scheme 1A proposed floor and site plan layouts.
- What to expect at the next PAT Meeting.

DISCUSSION:

- 1. The meeting began with the discussion about recent developments regarding the potential extended use of some of the existing T-Buildings, once the new construction is completed. Due to the potential overcapacity of students enrolled in the school over the next several years and the perceived, limited HISD 2012 Bond Program construction budget assigned to Pilgrim Academy, there seems to be some agreement of the possibility to continue use of some of these relocated T-Buildings on an as-needed basis. Principal Castillo and the other PAT members were supportive of this resolution, although not more than 3 of these existing T-Buildings should be needed, if required at a future date. The existing T-Buildings (7) will be relocated to an adjacent area where they are intended to serve the Middle School grades while the new construction is ongoing.
- 2. Principal Castillo also mentioned that HISD had recently implemented a new district alignment for many of the schools and, although Pilgrim Academy has a new Chief School Officer, they will still have the same School Support Officer, who is familiar with the student overcapacity issue at the school campus.
- 3. Stennis Lenoir, with RDC Architects, presented and discussed their further development of Scheme 1A, which was the linear arrangement of the programmed Middle School classrooms in the new addition. The twelve new classrooms and support areas were shown grouped around two "Collaborative" or Extended Learning Areas along an expanded corridor area, with Toilet areas, Teachers Prep Room and building mechanical or electrical rooms. In this floor plan, it was pointed out that there is the ability to add future classrooms along the main Learning Corridor that leads back to the existing main building.



- 4. Mr. Lenoir showed the proposed enlargement of the existing Multi-Purpose Room to the west and south to accommodate a regulation sized Middle School basketball court. The proposed expansion into the existing corridor to the south of the Multi-Purpose Room and stage area will include three existing columns that will be encased in drywall and used to create setback areas for new bleachers.
- 5. In the current scheme, the locker rooms are located at the west end of this addition to minimize the new plumbing costs while a proposed Coaches Office was taken out of the Music Room's existing square footage. According to Mr. Lenoir, the Music Room's total square footage will be maintained by shortening the length of the corridor and creating a vestibule for the Music Room instead. However, there was some concern about the functional layout of the resulting space so this will be further evaluated by HISD Planning & Design.
- 6. There was a brief discussion about the possibility of additional storm water detention requirements, due to the new construction, but this may be offset by the removal of all the previous paving and warehouse buildings on the parcel of land that will be re-platted to become part of the Pilgrim Academy campus.
- 7. Finally, discussion to determine the date of a rescheduled Pilgrim Academy Community Meeting resulted in Wednesday, August 12, 2015, as the best date that accommodates everyone's schedule. Also, the next Pilgrim PAT meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 5, 2015, instead of the previously scheduled date of August 4th, due to a conflict with the Teachers training sessions that were postponed from Tropical Storm Bill's anticipated landfall.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

1-1 There were no additional questions.

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1-01 Confirm if the new Coaches Office will be needed as part of the final Ed. Specs. Program requirements. David Funk will confirm if required.
- 1-02 Confirm if the next Pilgrim Academy PAT Meeting can start earlier, due to Mr. Wong's commitment to help set up for another Project's Community meeting, beginning at 6:30 pm.
- 1-03 Prepare for the next PAT Meeting.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE NEXT PAT MEETING:

1. Review developed Schematic Design drawings and ideas from the last PAT design work session.

NEXT PAT MEETING: Wednesday, August 5, 2015; 3:30 pm (To Be Confirmed), Pilgrim Academy

Please review the meeting minutes and submit any changes or corrections to the author. After five (5) calendar days, the meeting minutes will be assumed to be accurate.



Sincerely,

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