

# **MEETING MINUTES**

ME	TING INFORMATION						
MEETING NAME MEETING DATE		CORE group - Design Planning	MEETING LOCATION	Middle School Media Center 6:00 PM			
		September 11, 2023	MEETING TIME				
PRO	JECT NAME	River Valley School District Long-Range Planning					
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- 1) The River Valley School District Administrator opened the meeting and recapped progress made and what was discussed at the last meeting with administrators.
- 2) FEH Design reviewed the proposed design for the High School
  - a) River Valley high school staff confirmed that there is space for 7th and 8th grade to move into the building.
    - i) 7th grade would have their own wing (East) and 8th grade will be dispersed throughout the building by department.
  - b) The right portion of the north wing will have the little theater floor, leveled and used along with adjacent spaces, as the new woodshop space.
    - i) This will save cost compared to adding an addition for the woodshop onto the auto shop. It is also preferred as it is connected to the metal shop.
  - c) The renovation of the locker rooms in the basement is part of the Code and ADA budget and will become accessible and more usable.
  - d) The entry addition will be built in a way that it will be able to support the auditorium structure whether that is built in the same timeframe or in the future.



- e) There would be renovations of areas identified in the condition assessment as well: restrooms, locker rooms, etc.
- 3) FEH Design introduced the Middle School design.
  - Would like to have a west corridor that connects the south and north corridors so you can walk in a loop around the building.
  - b) Need more spaces for interventionists in the middle school if the younger grades move there.
  - c) Would like younger students towards the south side of the building to have them closer to the playground. Additional playground will be needed.
    - i) When FEH Design creates diagrams to explain the design they will just label rooms as classrooms and not designate which grade is assigned to which room.
  - d) It was agreed that with five grades, this building will require a full size gym.
    - i) A walking track and pickleball courts can be included in the gym to serve community needs.
  - e) A larger cafeteria space will be required. The small gym would be ideal for this multi-function.
  - f) Pick up lanes will need to be addressed with the grade structure change.
  - g) A science lab will still be needed for 6th grade. The lab will need to be renovated.

# 4) FEH Design introduced the Elementary School design.

- a) Heavy remodel is needed for the buckled gym floors
- b) The 3k-1st grade design allows for more room with the drop-off/pick-up line
- c) These plans focus more on renovating the space we have with less additions than previous designs, costing less money.
- d) It was felt that the auditorium should be kept as a separate question.
- e) Elementary school staff believes two classrooms is enough for 3k. The school doesn't want to take all of the business of other places that offer 3 y.o. care for parents.
- f) Age appropriate playground equipment will be required.

### 5) The only new construction additions are the entryways, kitchen and gym.

- a) Is the public going to respond favorably when they see that we are making additions that are not 'academic' spaces?
  - i) Explain that we are repurposing, consolidating, and creating a more efficient layout with what we currently have in addition to having new entrances and gym. Our focus is repurposing and providing just enough new space as needed.
- b) There is concern about public opinion of building a new gym.
  - Provide an explanation. If we are losing a gym at the Early Learning Center we need to replace that space we are losing with another gym. It isn't an additional gym it is a replacement gym.
  - ii) Want the gym to be accessible to general public use after hours.
  - iii) Concerned that the gym is too big, maybe the public won't approve of a full size gym. It was discussed to have Kraemer Brothers price a smaller gym option.

# 6) It is decided that we are moving forward with the following:

- a) Elementary School
  - i) Renamed the Early Learning Center
  - ii) House 3 y.o. 1st grade
  - iii) New entry addition and renovations, kitchen, modified pickup line.
- b) Middle School
  - i) Renamed Intermediate School
  - ii) House 2<sup>nd</sup> grade 6<sup>th</sup> grade
  - iii) New gym and entry addition with renovations
  - iv) New / expanded parking
  - v) Additional playground
- c) High School
  - i) Renamed Jr. / Sr. High School
  - ii) House 7th 12th grade
  - iii) New entry addition with renovations
  - iv) New auditorium if second question passes
- 7) Kraemer Brothers reviewed the Cost Evolution Diagram.



8) FEH Design reviewed the timeline and that the school should expect to get cost estimates from Kraemer Brothers in November.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. FEH will draft schematic drawings by the end of September and send them to Kraemer Brothers.
- 2. Kraemer brothers will create with cost estimates based on the designs in October.

For meeting minutes this is the author's understanding of the items discussed. Please notify us of any discrepancies within 7 days so revised minutes can be issued. No response will indicate acceptance by all parties.

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NEXT MEETING	TBD
ATTACHMENTS	