

MINUTES

Facilities Planning Advisory Council (FPAC)

Regular Meeting
2021-2022 School Year

March 1, 2022

Members of the public are welcome to attend in-person at FCPS (Fairfax County Public School) Gatehouse Administration Center
8115 Gatehouse Road, Falls Church, VA

The following FPAC members attended:

Name	District	Attended Meeting
Chuck Fanshaw	Braddock	YES
David Jiang	Dranesville	NO
Jim Riddle	Hunter Mill	YES
Troy Thompson	Lee	YES
Dan Aminoff	Mason/Chair	YES
Catherine Hosek	Mt. Vernon	YES
Dan Hogan	Providence	YES
Kevin Cahill	Springfield	YES
Erica Carter	Sully	YES
John Keegan	At Large	YES
Carmen Clipper	At Large	YES
Angela Smalls	At Large/Vice Chair	YES
Katie Hermann	City of Fairfax/Secretary	YES

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Elaine Tholen* - School Board member

Brian Schoester - Coordinator III - Office of Facilities Planning Services

Helen Lloyd, Executive, FCPS Office of Communication and Community Relations

**Participated virtually*

The virtual FPAC member confirmed their ability to use the Google Meet application, no issues with audio or visual effects were found. The FPAC member who participated remotely did so as a result of a personal reason, due to personal travel.

Community Time

Paula Prettyman, Sandra Miracle, Craig Day, Erin Labato – discussed the Falls Church High School renovation, and how recent changes to the proposed renovation design have prioritized softball fields over parking. The recent change dropped the proposed over 500 parking spaces to under 400 parking spaces. This school is also paying rent to the adjacent Providence RecCenter for the use of 80 RecCenter parking spaces. Also, FOIA requests show that FCPS communicated with the Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS). The NCS has mentioned that the

softball fields should be kept for equity reasons. This group would prefer that additional parking spaces be planned at the site of the currently under-used softball field.

Meeting Opening

Staff Announcements/Presentation/Discussion

HelenLloyd, Executive Director, OCCR

- OCCR has 5 key areas for strategic communication, and 11 Objectives, some of which were discussed here:
 - o Will be focusing on building content, social media, community relations (with staff who are multi-lingual). Will be providing more toolkits for individual schools for communication strategies
 - o Hopes to create individual communication plans for renovation projects and building communication skillsets
 - o Press development – working with reporters in the area to provide information about upcoming stories within FCPS.
 - o Measuring news trends – equity, return-to-school, budget, ESSER, school calendar, bonds, etc.
 - o Culture of Storytelling of school successes and Culture of Support for crisis' in FCPS or in schools
 - o Crisis Management in the Media – there will be crises that are reported in the media but if OCCR can help communicate topics from the very beginning.
 - o Building relationships with the Community – this process will be ramped up in 2022.
- School Building Communications – Helen sees a vision for FCPS to stand up for our values and support the community & education through schools
- One Fairfax & Equity – FCPS will be working to address this topic, and how does this topic relate to education, families, school buildings, programs for students, teachers & staff HR, etc.

Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2022 meeting

The Final minutes have been approved for the February 1, 2022, FPAC meeting. The motion was approved by all members.

Board Member Tholen

- Net zero ready school building renovation design is a target for the School Board.
- Reassessing the renovation queue, Jeff Platenberg's group will be bringing a consultant to look at the renovation queue. Initially assessing the criteria.
- The School Board may be discussing possible State infrastructure funding at future meetings. The funds would be available on July 1, 2022 the hope is to look at school facilities for renovations to bring buildings into EdSpec compliance
- JET Update – Carbon neutrality goals will continue to be a focus for FCPS.

Member Time

- Dan A will be sending an email with the following information for the Annual Report:
 - By March 16th: All requests for information from staff should be sent into Dan, Katie & Angela.
 - By April 1st: All requests from staff should be received back. Outline/first draft of final report with proposed recommendations.
 - By April 15th: Revised draft of final report with solid recommendations
 - By April 22nd: Final revisions from work groups with recommendations.
 - By April 27th: Dan to distribute final draft version, and then collect and include any final revisions by May 3rd.
 - At the May 10th Meeting: Review of draft annual report for group discussion and adoption of recommendations.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05PM.