

RETREAT MINUTES

Facilities Planning Advisory Council (FPAC)

Retreat Meeting
2020-2021 School Year

February 27, 2021

Members of the public are welcome to attend virtually via at <https://www.fcps.edu/streamingmeeting>.

Members of the public can email Kathy Vasapoli at kvasapoli@fcps.edu to receive a link to join the virtual meeting. The following FPAC members attended:

Name	District	Attended Meeting
Charles Hookey	Braddock	Yes
Jayant Reddy	Dranesville	No
Lauren Magee	Hunter Mill	Yes
Troy Thompson	Lee	Yes
Dan Aminoff	Mason/Chair	Yes
Catherine Hosek	Mt. Vernon	Yes
Kate Howarth	Providence	No
Kevin Cahill	Springfield	No
Shawn Xu	Sully	No
Dan Hogan	At Large	Yes
Carmen Clipper	At Large	Yes
Angela Smalls	At Large/Vice Chair	Yes
Katie Hermann	City of Fairfax/Secretary	Yes

Meeting Opening

The FPAC members confirmed their ability to use the BlackBoard Collaborate application, no issues with audio or visual effects were found.

Staff Announcements/Presentation/Discussion

1. Jessica Gillis, Special Projects Administrator for Facilities and Transportation Planning
2. Laura Jane Cohen, School Board Member, Springfield District and FPAC Liaison
3. Elaine Tholen, School Board Member, Dranesville District

School Board and Staff Announcements

Presentation to the School Board – the Board has asked that FPAC present this year's Annual Report on May 18, 2021. Therefore, FPAC members will likely need to start drafting the Annual Report sections earlier than in past years. FPAC members are strongly encouraged to reach out to Dan A and Angela if need additional information from staff.

Elaine Tholen Update/Introduction – provided a brief history of her work in FCPS as an employee and discussed the new development occurring in the Dranesville District. She is also a member of the School Board's Comprehensive Planning Development Committee (CPCD).

Laura Jane Cohen Update – has had recent discussions with Jessica Gillis and Jeff Platenberg on the CPCD and its vision for CPCD. Ms. Cohen has been talking about the idea of using the CPCD as a way

to help FCPS discuss topics related to boundaries and facilities. Ms Cohen has proposed meeting in April, May and June with the CPCD to discuss these items.

Joint CIP Meeting was canceled recently because of inclement weather. The proposed County budget is concerning for FCPS.

Governor's Potential Guidance on School Attendance in the Fall – the School Board is tracking some proposed legislation that is in draft form which may impact FCPS staffing requirements. Future virtual school curriculum may need change and use a different system.

Community Time

No members from the community participated.

Member Time

FPAC members should anticipate finalizing the Annual Report in early May.

1. Continue to develop the long-range vision for FCPS school facilities;
 - a. Member comments included:
 - i. Ensuring that renovations are captured here since this type of change is the majority of major adjustments to the school buildings.
 - ii. Including virtual learning in this item, how does FCPS see virtual learning fitting into how facilities are maintained, renovated and used from a capacity standpoint.
 - iii. Find a way to weave boundary changes into a long-term strategy.
2. Provide support to facilitate implementation of the accepted FPAC major maintenance and asset management recommendations;
 - a. Member comments included:
 - i. Ensure budgets are looked at and discuss community-use of the school buildings and developing a scaled approach to the fees associated to community uses.
 - ii. Discuss outdoor space utilization – Get2Green has an inventory of outdoor instructional spaces at schools
3. Develop recommendations on facility resiliency, to include accessibility, sustainability, and design justice;
 - a. Member comments included:
 - i. Ensure gender identity design components are discussed
 - ii. Discuss energy conservation competitions
 - iii. Review AIA Framework for Design Excellence:
https://content.aia.org/sites/default/files/2020-08/Framework_for_design_excellence_v3.pdf
4. Advise and assist with the development and implementation of updated boundary policies and processes; and,
 - a. Member comments included:
 - i. The consultant will be starting the Community meetings soon, which may take a few weeks via surveys.
 - ii. Cathy & Angela discussed the current direction
5. Assess and evaluate how facility design and construction can be adjusted to accommodate social distancing and a safe environment.
 - a. Member comments included:

- i. Lauren briefed the members what items this sub-committee right now.

Next Year Options for Annual Charge Items

- Future Virtual Learning and Impacts to School Facilities – the idea of having Jessica’s team be part of the virtual learning planning, then determine impacts to school facilities in the future
- Vision for FPAC for the future – FPAC may need to re-visit the roles of members, coordination with School Board members, reporting requirements, etc
- Environmentally Conscious Facilities – Doing a deeper dive into topics like Net-zero vs. Net-Better, and other interests of FCPS based on construction budget constraints.

Adjournment

The meeting started at 9:00am and was adjourned at 11:50.