

Long Range Planning Committee
Wednesday, June 2, 2012
Meeting Minutes

Voting Members

x	Cindy Barnard	]	Shelyce Foster	x	Rudy Lukez	x	Stephanie Stanley
]	Kim DeCoste	x	Paul Grenney	x	Zeke Lynch	x	Wendy Vogel
x	Dilpreet Jammu	]	Dave Harper	]	Pat Murtha	x	Todd Warnke
x	Kay Dry	⊗	Marcie Herrel	x	Patricia Montoya		
]	Gail Feeder	x	Ramona Jobe	]	Heather Sherman		
x	Anne Fenske	x	Jennifer Johnson	x	Gregg Sherry		

Non Voting Members

x	Rich Cosgrove		Karmen Smith]	Sheila Beving	x	Jack Hoagland
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X indicates attendance,] = notification, ⊗ = no notification

Also in attendance were: Construction Director Richard Cosgrove, Planning Specialist Anita McLain, and Recorder Barbara Homrighausen, American Academy Head of School Erin Kane, American Academy Board member Shaylee Holland, American Academy Board member Denese Gardner, Inline Management owner Kurt Connelly, Aspen View Academy President Jonathan Nye, Hutton Architecture owner Paul Hutton, Aspen View Academy Board member Troy Schroeder, Haselden Construction manager Christian Ekstrom, and American Academy facility director Steve Cunningham.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by LRPC Chair Rudy Lukez in the Board Room at 6:09 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Paul Grenney moved and Gregg Sherry seconded that the minutes of the May 2, 2012 meeting be approved. Motion passed. Two abstained

Membership: It was reported that two vacancies exist in the Chaparral High School feeder area and one in the Castle View High School feeder area. Vacancies will be posted and advertised. Interviews will be scheduled for the end of July.

Aspen View Academy Charter School: In response to Aspen View Academy Charter School's request for the elementary school site known as Meadows Filing 18 as the home of their future school, the following input was recorded:

- Funding
 - What is funding mechanism?
 - Financing issues are responsibility of CFO, Fiscal Oversight Committee and Board of Education
- Traffic and Parking
 - Need backup plan if traffic study results are inaccurate
 - Discussions with DCSD transportation department regarding District provided transportation services

- Site large enough to expand parking lot
 - Options for students to walk, bike to school
 - Per Town of Castle Rock, infrastructure will include bike paths, sidewalks and walking paths
 - How many cars can queue for drop off/pick up?
 - Study assumes 20 feet per car, 138 waiting vehicles can be stored on site
 - Formula based on diagonal parking, not parallel
 - Parking is biggest site problem at charter schools – communicate with other charter and magnet schools and learn from their experience
- Capacity
 - Impact on neighborhood school capacity according to Aspen View’s intents to enroll
 - 2 schools would get needed capacity relief
 - 1 school would drop below capacity
 - Don’t put DCSD students at risk by providing land to a charter school
 - Make sure there is a place for children to go to school
 - If Board of Education doesn’t approve AVA’s request, what happens?
 - Options include calendar change, increased class size, overflow busing, boundary adjustments
 - All have community impacts
- Property Ownership
 - DCSD should retain ownership of property
 - What is guarantee that land will be used for school if charter school fails
 - Land will be owned by DCSD, not charter school
 - All property will remain with the District
- Facility Standards
 - DCSD available to provide guidance, but only as a courtesy
 - Responsibility of charter school to stay within budget and be in compliance with all building codes
 - Keep building standard close enough to DCSD specifications for simple retrofit in case property reverts to the District
 - Ed/Tech specs are guidelines, not requirements
 - Developer will ensure that architectural control guidelines are met
 - Building Department will ensure code compliance
- Other
 - Don’t feel that complete information has been provided

Motion: Gregg Sherry moved and Paul Grenney seconded the following motion: Whereas the Castle View High School feeder area is experiencing current and future capacity limitations, based on current facilities, and whereas Aspen View Academy has requested use of the Meadows Filing 18 elementary school site and has agreed to partner with the Douglas County School District to address capacity shortfalls, the Long Range Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Education accept Aspen View Academy’s request for use of the Meadows Filing 18 elementary school site with the following provisions:

All facility plans will be reviewed and approved by DCSD staff and appropriate governmental entities as applicable. In the event of dissolution, the property will revert to the Douglas County School District. Eleven voted aye, three abstained, motioned carried.

American Academy: In response to American Academy Charter School's request for the elementary school site in Meridian Village as the home of their future school, the following input was recorded:

- Capacity
 - Difference between Aspen View and American Academy is capacity relief strategy and ownership of land
 - Does AA's initial data show capacity relief for the Parker area?
 - No, Meridian site hasn't been marketed until site is approved
 - Are there duplicates on Aspen View and American Academy wait lists, intents to enroll?
 - 50 duplicates
 - Where will 1,200 students to be generated by development of Meridian Village go to school if site is given to American Academy?
 - Meridian site is not a viable option to provide capacity relief where needed
 - American Academy will not become a neighborhood school
 - Will put DCSD in a worse position
 - American Academy should look at other sites in Parker area
 - Pine Drive 18 acre site
 - DCSD doesn't own
 - Total undeveloped
 - Too close to existing charter school
 - Need more information about capacity needs. How will American Academy achieve DCSD goals, not just American Academy's goals?
 - Meridian Village site is ideal site to meet DCSD goals
 - If American Academy gets site, there won't be a neighborhood school site in Meridian Village
 - Don't assume all Meridian Village families will want to go to American Academy
 - Some families won't accept charter school standard (uniforms, etc.)
 - Curriculum may not be attractive to all Meridian Village families
 - Provides temporary relief, but creates problems for future Meridian Village families
 - Development may never happen – American Academy is willing to build a school
 - Could provide relief for Legend feeder area
- Philosophy
 - Precedent setting
 - Choice will always be a priority
 - Don't turn down a willing participant
 - Old precedent – there was always room at child's neighborhood school
 - Where do neighborhood children go if not guaranteed admission to charter school?
 - What makes this a win/win?
 - Choice is future of education

Motion: Anne Fenske moved and Greg Sherry seconded the following motion: Whereas American Academy has requested use of the Meridian Village Parcel 7 elementary school site and has agreed to partner with the Douglas County School District to address capacity shortfalls, to be determined on an annual basis

The Long Range Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Education accept American Academy's request for use of the Meridian Village Parcel 7 elementary school site with the following provisions:

All facility plans will be reviewed and approved by DCSD staff and appropriate governmental entities as applicable; in the event of dissolution, the property reverts to the Douglas County School District.

Five voted aye, four voted nay, two abstained. Motion carried.

Future meetings: The next meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Adjournment: Paul Grenney moved and Todd Warnke seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.