

Meeting of the Larkspur School District Facilities Master Plan Committee

March 24, 2008

Brief Summary

Attendees:

Wolf Gutscher – Facilities Director - Larkspur School District
Michael Hooper – Chairman - Facilities Master Plan Committee
Layne Dorr – Classified District Employee
Rob Lescoe – Certificated District Employee
Megan Kelly – Certificated District Employee
Bonnie Frank – Parent
Jen Bernabei – Parent – Committee Member
Todd Lee– Greystone West - Consultant
Chris – Greystone West - Consultant
Marilyn Clark – Principal - Neil Cummins
Lisa Wang – Parent - Committee Member
Catherine Guthrie – Parent - Committee Member

1. **Welcome** - Valerie Pitts did not attend due to illness. The meeting was facilitated by Michael Hooper who welcomed the group.

2. **Minutes** - from the March 10, 2008 meeting were approved.

3. **Public input** – none.

4. **Review suggested Modernization Schedule** - for Neil Cummins. The group came up with three options. This discussion took up the majority of the meeting. Comments below submitted by Michael Hooper.

Option 1 – using our portion of the soccer field for 3rd and 4th grades (one or two story), existing (less D & E wings possibly) for K-2 and Pre-K when it comes along.

Option 2 – using our portion of the soccer field for K-2 and Pre-K when it comes along (probably one story only), existing (less D & E possibly) for 3rd and 4th.

Option 3 – using the south west corner (with or without the Twin Cities Pre-school in that location) for 3rd and 4th in a one or two story configuration using our portion of the soccer field as black top, existing (less D & E wings possibly) for K-2 and Pre K when it comes along.

Others may emerge when we all think about it. One objective is to make it look and feel like an upper and lower campus. Another is to address the congestion which

would seem to support Option 3. Use of any portion of the park at the moment should not be considered though some kind of trade might emerge.

Jen in particular took a leadership role in the identification of options. It seems to be coming down to NC options, though Marilyn has many concerns that need to be addressed. However, if there is no meaningful room at Hall (because of the shortage of blacktop space), and there is no bang for the buck at San Clemente (close to \$1 million per classroom based on what really is an inadequate program that we were looking at there (no support space), there seems little alternative to a fundamental redesign/

restructuring of and expansion of NC. A fundamental redesign/restructuring of NC would need to be spun to play well with the community. The Committee will need to overcome the fact that not all of the upgrades were completed with the last bond proceeds as promised, even though they were ultimately wisely spent on the 8th grade wing.

Layne restated her view of the danger of recommending one particular option as opposed to providing a range of options from which the Board could choose at the appropriate time (after Bond election), thereby avoiding discussion on any one particular, perhaps controversial, option such as a two-story building, increased access from Pixley, or the potential loss/relocation of the soccer field during the bond campaign. There seemed to a consensus on this point.

5. Next meeting - will be on April 14, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hall Library.