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MEETING MINUTES

PROJECT WILSON SCHOOL – 1601 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA
PROJECT # LAD # 056-10002-001; BIG # 14520 WILS
MEETING DATE 30 March 2016
MEETING TIME 7:00pm – 9:30pm
LOCATION 4100 N Vacation Lane – HB Library
SUBJECT BLPC #14: Schematic Design Process & Update

ATTENDEES		
APS SCHOOL BOARD	SB	Reid Goldstein
ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	APS	Brenda Wilkes
APS DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION	DCS	Benjamin Burgin
BUILDING LEVEL PLANNING COMMITTEE	BLPC	Casey Robinson, Karen Gerry, Maggie Wiseman, David Soles, Vanessa Piccorossi, Tom Mallan, Bill Podolski, Valerie Budney, Laura Saul Edwards, Danielle Arigoni, Kristen Colston, Richard Layman, Melissa McCracken, Terrig Thomas, Kay Luzius, Miles Mason, Paul Mulligan, Dennis Gerrity, Miranda Baltaxe
TOOLE DESIGN GROUP	TDG	Carol Kachadoorian, Christina Fink
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The BLPC Discussed various general items and items related to the presentation prepared by the Design Team. The presentation can be found as a PDF via the [APS Project Website](#)

1. Introduction

- 1.1. No public comments.
- 1.2. The Schedule of Spaces has been approved by APS, school and central office staff.

2. Transportation Analysis Update – Toole Design Group

- 2.1. TDG presented updated analysis on transportation mode split assumptions, parent pick-up/drop-off options and potential intersection improvements.
- 2.2. The majority of Stratford Students ride the bus but there are exceptions as some do get dropped off.
- 2.3. BLPC suggested that fewer students may drive given the cost of parking.
- 2.4. BLPC suggested several options for remote student pick-up/drop-off, including Clarendon Blvd and eastbound Lee Highway.
- 2.5. Options for bus management will be covered at a subsequent meeting.
- 2.6. APS Parking Memo Discussion:
 - 2.6.1. High risk for APS to engage in long-term leases to satisfy all parking requirements for the project.
 - 2.6.2. If APS built a single story parking structure on-site and used leases for the remaining required spaces, the risk if substantially reduced.
 - 2.6.3. BLPC agrees that long-term solutions to parking in neighboring garages is a risk
 - 2.6.4. BLPC suggests more creative solutions to solving the parking capacity.

3. Design Update & Discussion

- 3.1. Terrace Design
 - 3.1.1. The design team presented preliminary designs to the roof terraces.
 - 3.1.2. Design is based on regional planting typologies based on elevations. Each terrace level would have a different planting scheme.

- 3.1.3. Terrace edge conditions will change depending on the type of planting and location.
- 3.1.4. More passive activities will be located closer to the pivot point while the more active activities will be closer to the edge.
- 3.1.5. A proposed amphitheater is located on the first terrace.
- 3.1.6. Shading was proposed on the terraces to help protect the Stratford students.
 - 3.1.6.1. The design team explained that the Stratford students would predominantly be using the lower level courtyard adjacent to their program spaces. That courtyard will be self-shading by the building.
 - 3.1.6.2. Alternatively, the design team presented a diagram that shows how the building can self-shade each terrace for most of the day.
- 3.2. Music Department
 - 3.2.1. The design team presented further development regarding the music department.
 - 3.2.2. Instrument storage is continuing to be expressed along the corridor walls.
 - 3.2.3. The BLPC expressed concern for the amount of corridors around the choir and band room as well as potential supervision requirements for the spaces.
- 3.3. Lobby Circulation
 - 3.3.1. The design team presented new concepts for a proposed communicating stair from the Wilson School level down to the Ground floor level.
 - 3.3.2. The stair would also serve as an informal gathering space as well as a space for informal theatrical performances.

4. Next Steps / Schedule

- 4.1. 04/6 - DRC Meeting @ 2100 Clarendon Blvd. Cherry/Dogwood Room
- 4.2. 04/13- BLPC Meeting @ H-B Woodlawn Library
- 4.3. Date TBD - PFRC Meeting

The above represents our understanding of the topics discussed, and the decisions reached. Should any recipient notice significant omissions or errors, please notify Jack Chin at jchin@leoadaly.com within seven days of receipt.

Submitted by: Jack Chin
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