

OFFICIAL MINUTES
Approved December 18, 2014

**Long-Range Facilities Master Plan
Oversight Committee**
San Gabriel Unified School District
San Gabriel, CA
November 20, 2014
7:10 p.m. – 9:56 p.m.

The Long-Range Facilities Master Plan Oversight Committee (“LRFMPOC”) of San Gabriel Unified School District (“SGUSD”) in Los Angeles County met in regular session at the time and on the date above with attendance as follows:

Present:	Jerry Schwartz	Chairman
	Mickey Scannell	Vice Chair
	Kathay Feng	Member, Taking notes
	Hugo Correa	Member
	Robert Fujisaki	Member
	Quyen Phan	Member
	Armando Pacheco	Member
Absent:	George Carney	Member
Others Present:	Dr. David Yoshihara	Superintendent
	Bill Gile	Director of Maintenance
	Sharron Heinrich	Gabrielino High School Principal
	Terri Hopper	Gabrielino Art
	Melissa Romero	Gabrielino Band and Orchestra Director
	Cheryl Shellhart	
	Emmett Seuss	Gabrielino Art
	Kat Ross	Gabrielino Art
	James Marnell	Gabrielino Counselor, Coach
	Ellen Shimamoto	Gabrielino Librarian, Athletic Boosters Club
	Chanda Strom	Gabrielino Chemistry
	Harold Sanin	Gabrielino Athletic Director
	Melissa Lopez	Gabrielino Athletic Director
	Edith Gonzalez	Gabrielino Physical Education

I. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

A. Call to Order

Chair Jerry Schwartz called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m., Kathay Feng led Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Minutes

1. Mickey Scannell moved and Robert Fujisaki seconded, minutes of June 19, 2014, with no changes, approved (Correa, Feng who did not attend the June meeting abstained).
2. Hugo Correa moved and Quyen Phan seconded, minutes of September 18, 2014, with no changes, unanimously approved.

C. Public Comment

- Kat Ross - Teaches visual arts, is advocating for construction in the B Wing (plans for which already exist). I am hoping for new classroom space and student work storage space. (We currently have 3 Art teachers and 2 classrooms. Ideally, we would add 1 more to the 2 existing classrooms, and one storage room. This would allow AP Art to also be taught. There was a 2008 plan that the technology classrooms would be moved to other space, and the old technology rooms in the B Wing would be converted to the additional Art rooms.
- Harold Sanin - I have been on the other two committees where the new construction was being discussed. I have heard that there are discussions that the new building where wrestling was to be housed will not be built. I am here to be part of the discussions and understand what is happening. One of the SGUSD board members asked me if wrestling could not just use the gym, which concerned me.
- Edith Gonzalez – I understand that solar panels are going up and have concerns that the new panels may take up space (over the track and field fields) used by the athletic program.
- Chanda Strom – I served on the original committee that developed the plans for the buildings. There were a lot of parents, teachers, and others who were part of the development of the original plans. Now there are new plans that are being discussed that do not involve the larger stakeholder group that was engaged with the creation of the original plans. We should create an inclusive committee if we are going to develop new plans.
- James Marnell – I would like to hear what the plans for the solar panels will be, and their potential impact on the track program. The fields can get very crowded because of the different uses by students.
- Ellen Shimamoto – I was on the original stakeholder committee. I am part of the Athletic Boosters. I am interested in whether the snack bar is still on the table. (JS: There has been no discussion of changes to the snack bar plans).
- Principal Heinrich – I received the proposed plans and shared it with various interested teachers. There have been concerns expressed about which building gets built first, what happens if there are additional unknown costs, and whether some construction will be sacrificed.

Hugo Correa and Jerry Schwartz reviewed the process up to this point. The LRFMPOC and School District had embarked on an effort to develop plans for Gabrielino that would be responsive to a broad set of stakeholders needs, when the bond measure was first approved. In the meantime, construction proceeded at other school sites. When the recession hit in 2008, construction costs were lower. Some projects moved more quickly, such as the ones at Del Mar, Coolidge, Washington, and Jefferson. Many cost less than originally budgeted because construction prices were lower during the recession.

By the time we finished the Gabrielino input process and submitted plans to and received the approval of plans from the Department of State Architecture, construction prices had gone up again. However, with the completion of several other school site projects, we now know there is a surplus of funds from these other construction sites. Kathay Feng added that in June 2014, the LRFMPOC was first approached by Dr. Yoshihara about potentially changing the plans for Gabrielino to accommodate an anticipated growth in the music program. There were no

meetings in July (lack of quorum) and August (summer break). The LRFMPOC's first opportunity to discuss the proposed changes was in September 2014.

D. Next Regular Meeting

December 18, 2014, 7:00 p.m., at San Gabriel Unified School District ("SGUSD").

II. REPORTS

A. Chairman's report – Jerry Schwartz

- a. Because of conflicts with other meetings, we will hold the LRFMPOC meeting to December 18, 2014.
- b. On December 9, 2014, The School Board will approve Mickey Scannell's re-appointment.
- c. There was no quorum for the July 2014 meeting. In the future, given the earlier school year start, we will be dark in July, not August.

B. Construction Report –Bill Gile

a. McKinley Elementary School

The wood framing is 70% complete. We are starting mechanical and electrical work. We have put in the stormwater drain and will tie it in over the Thanksgiving break. We are about 2 months behind schedule. We were hoping to have the cafeteria done by January 2015; it may be done two months later than projected. The Administration / Computer Lab / Library Phase is next.

b. Gabrielino High School

LPA has completed the schematic design and has started working on construction plans. Over the Thanksgiving holidays, I am hoping to meet with Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) to get a clear picture of the extent of soil that needs to be removed and what the next step that they will support. Several barrels of contaminated oil were removed from the site.

c. Jefferson Middle School

Jefferson construction is mostly complete, with just a few punchlist items to complete.

d. Coolidge Elementary

Future projects may include landscaping and play field irrigation to catch the water.

III. DISCUSSION ITEM

A. Gabrielino Building Plans

Discussion ensued. Gile notes that there is a contingency fund built into every project (as much as 25-30% of the budgeted costs). There is a possibility with any project that we have not built in enough contingency funds. In situations when there are overages, we have used bond money to cover the overages (for example, spending \$1 million more on the Roosevelt project).

At the time of the planning for McKinley, we were not aware of the excess funds, and so we cut back on the plans for McKinley to fit into the \$7 million budgeted.

The original plans were for the Music Department to be at the bottom of a building. As there was a discussion about expansion of the music program, the idea was expressed that there might be a need to expand the capacity of the Music Department, given the growth of interest and investment in the elementary and middle schools. Dr. Yoshihara raised the idea of developing a new plan for Gabrielino to build larger Band and Orchestra rooms. Dr. Yoshihara worked with Bill Gile to ask the architects to come back with plans and budget estimates, and asked for estimates for a three story building. The thought was to build up because Gabrielino has a small footprint. Dr. Yoshihara made a deliberate decision to keep the discussions limited because the cost estimates might have come back too high and he did not want to raise expectations.

Until we go out to bid, we will not have a final budget cost. The three story building would be where the existing band structure is (next to the fields). The existing 2 story Huyler site plans have not changed. There is a bottom floor – a 14 foot high level design - that could be re-allocated.

Melissa Romero spoke. She was not part of the early discussions to plan the new band room. The current plans (to move the music classrooms to the Huyler site) do not provide easy access to the field and away from the campus.

The proposed new band/wrestling building would be located where band and wrestling currently are, not on the Huyler site. The preliminary estimates are \$9 million for an expanded two-story structure with a band room and wrestling room on the first floor, orchestra and a classroom on the second floor. The estimates for a three-story structure with wrestling and band room on the first floor, 5 (currently unallocated) classrooms on the second floor; and orchestra and teacher's lounge on the third floor are \$15 million.

Bill Gile estimates that the maximum change orders at McKinley would be 10%, putting that at \$800,000 (change orders average 7-8%) which is built into the McKinley site budget. The additional costs of the Huyler site clean-up could be \$500,000.

The changes would take costs of the current plans for remodeling the wrestling/band room from \$500,000 to \$9 -15 million (depending on the number of stories built).

Mickey Scannell made a motion, and Robert Fujisaki, that we recommend to the board that we do allocate extra bond money to fund other construction projects within the scope of the bond, approved unanimously. Feng stated the importance of having a public process to receive broad stakeholder input. Dr. Yoshihara commented that the decision today, and the fact that the estimates are within the range of available bond funds, now allows the public stakeholder process to begin.

IV. ADJOURNMENT at 9:56 pm