

Tremont Elementary School – Building Team Meeting 2 November 11, 2015

1. Is there anything about the educational or physical assessments that surprised you?

- That classroom space is already not enough and is only going to get worse.
- Roof issues.
- No.
- Even with addition, building will be too small.
- The fact that cost to maintain drops off so drastically after 10 yrs. It also surprises me that it has gotten to this point with our educational environments.
- Enrollment projects +10%. That with additions still not big enough for 2025.
- Nope.
- No, I anticipated a great deal of needs. The numbers of growth of students in the next 10 years. Feels pretty overwhelming for not just Tremont but the whole district.

2. Based on what you have learned so far, where is the current facility in alignment with the guiding principals and where is it not?

- The space does not foster the learning environment we want and need for our kids.
- ADA requirements.
- Not enough detail yet regarding the “accessories” which will make up the learning environment ex. desks, chairs, etc. . . . to tell whether the finished product will meet the principles.
- Not aligned on any aspect.
- I don't know that Tremont is aligned with many of the guiding principles.
- Current does not equal #4, 3.
- As space runs out, arts/athletics suffer – even with the 2015 addition. Not in alignment on 4 & 5 or 2.
- I find they are all in alignment at this point. We are on the right track.

3. What is your reaction to the financial information that was shared tonight?

- Not surprising, but it doesn't solve our problems or address all issues (we need to make some people who haven't heard this yet understand it).
- \$10 million is too much \$ to invest in a building that isn't aligned with our guiding principals. We can do better for our kids.
- The cost sounds high, of course, but in reality breaks down to a much more manageable amount for each household.
- Not surprising – feels reasonable and well thought out for the age.
- Not surprised.
- Surprised it wasn't more.
- Would like to know, as a base for comparison, per sq ft cost of new construction of an up-to-date elem school.
- Not as bad as I expected.
- It doesn't surprise me based on what I have learned through this process.
- Can you demonstrate to the community how “cheap” they've been getting the schools for the past 50 years? Myth Busters!
- In Tremont's case, this “whole” number is low. It's low and does not account for the increase in student population so the \$9.8M will increase in years 10-15 to accommodate the growth.
- Not shocked by it. Expected large numbers, but not satisfied with keeping up with what we have . . . want the options B, C, D ...

4. What are your expectations and desires for the options phase?

- What is our potential for the building if we took down internal walls and built within? What are the plans to displace children if the project takes time over a full school year?
- Would like guidance on how we could renovate/restructure the current building into “right-sized” classrooms, collaborative spaces. Where would that get us? Creative options for additions.
- I expect to develop a plan for flexible learning spaces.
- Improve and modernize Tremont to provide better learning spaces for the students. An overhaul while maintaining the character of the building.
- Multiple options that improve the entire learning experience. Look at building as a whole instead of temporary solutions.
- I would like to see some options & out-of-the-box ideas/suggestions to start turning gears in my brain ...

- Lots of itemized involvement.
- Let's do this the best way, regardless of cost.
- Just to be able to explore all options.
- Could we make Burbank an elementary school and plan for preschool space in each elementary school?
- 'That we can merge reality of 2015 with the anticipation of UA Schools in 2040-2055.
- Looking forward to it . . . worried about the cost of our desires!
- I am very concerned about the school district's ability to separate itself from the public's concern over UA City infrastructure system change especially now that the city brags about its collaboration & cooperation with the school district.