

**Bond Facilities Planning Committee
Jan. 20, 2010, Meeting**

On Wednesday, Jan. 20, the Bond Planning Committee met for the third time. The group is evaluating projects for a proposed bond in November 2010. They expect to make a recommendation to the School Board by March 8.

The committee's meetings have focused on the scope of projects in a potential bond. Representatives from DLR Architects have led the group through a master planning process and presented site and building concepts that include efficient use of the school campus and the building components for a high quality education. This planning phase will ensure that the school and campus improvements the committee recommends reflect student, staff, parent and community educational priorities.

Building and site plans will address concerns about the current site, such as traffic flow, pedestrian and bike access and improved play fields.

The plans under discussion now would replace much of the current junior high and high school buildings. The almost total rebuild would improve the space and allow reconfiguration of the buildings to provide safe structures with up-to-date classrooms for student learning as well as improve traffic flow on campus. The architects have presented two concepts for the site: one would build around the District office building; the other would remove it to make room for construction of the new schools. In future meetings, the group will gather and analyze information to help them determine the advantages and disadvantages for each option.

Based on current and future school needs, the committee is discussing the following additions and renovations:

Junior high school

New general classrooms
New science, computer and special education classrooms
New library
New gymnasium
New restrooms
New offices
Renovated cafeteria and locker rooms

High school

New general classrooms
New science, computer, agricultural and special education classrooms
New metal/auto shop
New library
New gymnasium and locker rooms
New restrooms
New offices

New student services room
Expanded and renovated cafeteria/commons
Improved site lighting

This list will continue to be revised based on additional evaluation at future meetings and estimated project costs.

The next Facilities Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Feb. 3, 2010.