



New North Secondary School Transition Committee

Tuesday, April 5, 2016
 Delta Secondary School
 Library, 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Facilitators: Peter Joshua, Sue Dunlop & Jamie Nunn

Presenters: Agnese De Fazio, *Manager*, Capital Projects, HWDSB Facilities Management Dept.

Minutes

<p>1. Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda Review • Purpose • Working Agreements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Joshua, Executive Superintendent welcomed all and introduced Sue Dunlop- Family of Schools 4 and Jamie Nunn- Family of School 3, Superintendents of Student Achievement and Larry Pattison, Trustee. • It has been some time since we last met. Tonight is an opportunity review and discuss information- and we will answer questions to the best of our ability. Recognizing once construction begins it will take approximately two full years to complete the build and that will be the time we will need the most input from this committee. We want to be as open and transparent as we can. This committee will take a hiatus until construction begins. • Honour and respect • Recognizing the integrity of every member • Communication is key- everyone has a voice
<p>2. Review of our Previous Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The review began in 2011 • The recommendation was made by the Board in May 2012 to build a new secondary school • Schools involved- Parkview has already closed. Delta and Sir John A. MacDonald will remain open until the opening of the new school. • A review of the high school boundaries and feeder schools

- Yes. Many meeting rooms and quiet spaces throughout the building including in the main office area. Multipurpose rooms on both first and second floor.
3. Are there classrooms near the common gathering areas? These rooms can be susceptible to the noise.
 - This issue was taken into account- acoustic panels, sight lines, etc. have been taken into consideration.
 4. Many special needs students have sensory issues how are we going to minimize the noise from the Tech classes?
 - The Sensory room /quiet room are located closer to the corridor, so they are more sound proof. Classroom doors are not aligned to help reduce noise.
 5. Is there an Indoor track?
 - No. The Indoor Track option has been pulled out of the school design due to budget restraints.
 6. Is there a Rock Climbing Wall?
 - This is still proposed- on 2nd floor.
 7. Is there gender neutral or single occupancy washrooms?
 - One change room on the main floor is a universal change room right across from gym, and one washroom on the main floor will be designated universal washroom with stalls.
 8. Ease of access for community use of the gym?
 - The doors are situated, so the gym and change rooms are accessible while the segregating the remainder of the building. Access entrance for security. Community room may be rented. Site-specific decisions will be made if both areas are rented at the same time.
 9. Is there a community kitchen? Not wanting to rent the entire school space to access the kitchen.
 - Some options may be use of the kitchen in the Special Ed wing, staff room and possibility the Hospitality Food Services area. Managing the timetable to allow use of these spaces outside of school hours.
 10. Size of the Art room- Is it equivalent to what SJAM currently has?
 - No- Green industries can be used. 3 classroom spaces in proximity. We have added the green industries- a room with a sink.
 11. Where are the Art rooms located?
 - On the 3rd floor. Plenty of windows for natural light. One kiln off the visual arts room.
 12. Are there Open spaces on the third floor?
 - Ministry funding is based on standards we must follow. Rooms with the folding partitions/collaborative spaces. There is an area on the third floor- two rooms can open into one- that can be opened up.
 13. Is there a designated space for drama? Location to the staging area? There is a specific need- Costume storage?

- The 2 classrooms are strategically located across from the stage area. Flexible spaces.

14. Do the General science rooms have gas?

- Yes

15. Nutrition/ Family Studies on the main floor? Access to outdoor garden?

- Currently in Joint Use negotiations- Public open spaces in partnership with the city.

16. Wasn't there a Greenhouse in the original designs?

- It was part of one of the designs however it is not a ministry requirement- no funding

17. Do the Stage /Cafeteria doors to open to the park? Theatre in the Park, Yoga in the Par, etc.

- Yes, the cafeteria doors open to the public area. Currently being discussed in the Joint Use negotiations.

18. Is there a load bearing roof/ Green roof?

- No not in this design. Cost prohibited.

19. With the large number of windows in the plans will there be a lot of broken windows- vandalism?

- We are trying to mitigate the risk- by reducing ground floor glass. Safety glass is very costly. Tie in architecturally and esthetically?

20. Are the glass stairways safe? Fight or running down stairs.

- Building code requirements are followed. It is designed as a guardrail for safety concerns.

21. Did the Board consult with anyone regarding which design was best for crime prevention?

- Consultation with SPEAR 9 Hamilton Police Services- to advise and mitigate risk. Site lighting, landscaping, exterior finishes incorporated for those purposes.

2. Next Steps & Meeting Date

- Meeting adjourned. Will meet again once construction has begun.