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Project Name: Faubion PK-8 Replacement
Meeting: DAG Meeting #4
Meeting Date: Thursday, November 7, 2013 **Time:** 6:00-8:00pm
Meeting Location: Faubion Cafeteria

Attendees:

Design Team

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- Tonight's focus will be on Site Strategies: Outdoor vs indoor, where should the front entry be? Major building blocks and looking at our partnership with St. Michaels. We will not be looking at the inside of the building or internal organization. We will focus on creating a strong site idea and its connection to the Concordia campus and surrounding neighborhood.
 - We will be looking at the site with its current layout as the base of several options which includes having St. Michaels remain in its location
 - We will be looking at the site without St. Michaels at its current location on several options of the site layouts
 - These are the key program components with approximate sizes that are desired to have on the site:
 - K-8 school; 85,000SF (could be 1 or 2 floors)
 - 750 seat auditorium
 - Community HUB area 10,000SF
 - Pre-K classrooms space 5,000SF

- College of Education 20,000SF
- 60 parking spaces
- Parent drop-off
- School bus drop-off
- Service vehicle area
- Play yards
- Gardens

*Note: Collegiate softball field will not be built within this project. Concordia planning on placing it somewhere else. Q: Would a practice field be smaller and able to be put on site? A: It is possible.

- Last DAG Meeting #3 ended with members identifying their traffic patterns to and from the school site and on the site. It was noticed that people enter the site from all directions and sides. Some intersections need focus and strong pedestrian connections. BOORA wants members to look at the connection between the Concordia campus and Faubion and is a large driver of the option ideas the members saw.
- To clarify the vision and goals for the site 4 key site design criteria questions were created for members to respond to as they looked at the different options:
 - Does this option project the appropriate image and identity? 3-PhD philosophy, “2 schools, 1 heartbeat”?
 - Is the site circulation safe and logical?
 - Is the building access safe and secure?
 - Is this option practical?
- Look at the location of the entry, approach and drop off. Members will give input on what pieces of the schemes they like and pieces they think will not work.
- Town Square Scheme: One main entry location for programs into HUB. Connection on north side to Concordia and pedestrian space off Liberty. Bus traffic brought through two times a day for bus drop off of students on plaza off of 29th. Separate parent drop off from Rosa Parks and easy routes for pedestrians entering.
 - Option 1- With St. Michaels in current location. 1 central entrance in SW corner of site. Services coming off Dekum St. Parent pick-up off Rosa Parks. Play spaces to North and East side of building
 - Option 2- With St. Michaels repurposed, building direction changes to North to South and main entrance will be off Dekum. Site will still have central town square and drop offs would remain the same. Play area and soccer field will be next to each other and not staggered.
- 2 Entries 1 Welcome Hall Scheme: 2 entries: 1 for Faubion off of Dekum and an entry off Concordia side and connect into a large entry space. Covered walk-way from Dekum for bus drop off. Parent drop off from Dekum. Service area off Rosa Parks.
 - Option 1-Building sits east to west with outside play areas/garden and field wrapping around NE corner of building
 - Option 2-Would switch the school to sit north to south with address on Dekum and have traffic circulation remain the same. Site would have two plazas that enter into large entry
- 3 Corner Plazas Scheme: Have a large plaza in northwest corner of the site in front of auditorium and a south side plaza. This scheme would include the widening of 29th for drop off by adding a

parent drop off lane. Bus drop off would be from Rosa Parks. Play areas and field are to the north and east of building.

- Scheme Feedback
 - Town Square Option #1: Would prefer traffic to come off Dekum and not Rosa Parks. Faubion having its own front door important. Liked the way people, programs mixed in gathering hall, some challenges with parking and locations.
 - Town Square Option #2: Discussion about how plaza would work and open into the gathering hall. Discussion about how bikes and pedestrians coming from SE corner of campus get to Faubion front door. Bus drop off area seen as a positive. Concern over auditorium location in SE corner of site, that this could be interruptive to neighbors. Would like to see auditorium up in the NW corner away from the neighborhood. Nice outside hub for activity. Could the bus and parent drop off be changed for better access to buses and supervision.
 - 2 Entries 1 Welcome Hall Option #1: Members disliked no frontage on Dekum. Why not? Should the school have a noble entry on Dekum? Parking right up to the back of neighbor's houses may not be ideal. This scheme maintains traffic problem that is currently not working. How do you regulate that only buses use access and not others. Too much congestion with both parents and buses on Rosa Parks.
 - 2 Entries 1 Welcome Hall Option #2: Front door location feels off. The building has a presence on Dekum and maybe the entrance could be moved to Dekum, too. Buses and parents on Rosa Parks not good. Liked the Liberty/29th pedestrian walkway. Would like the auditorium moved to the north to fit in better with the neighborhood. Liked the ability to see kids in the play area during drop off, pick-up.
 - 3 Corner Plazas Scheme: Really liked the location of the auditorium away from the front door. Skepticism about parent drop off away from play areas and flow of traffic. Flipping parent/bus drop off would work for this scheme but not be neighborly. Many members felt that dealing with traffic off Dekum was the ideal and to not have traffic travel through the neighborhood on Rosa Parks. Good feedback on the Hub, gathering entry, concept. Liked the open play area.
 - Additional Comments:
 - Strong support for auditorium in NW corner of site
 - HUB and auditorium could be together and not on opposite ends of the site so that community could have access and parking would help serve those areas and be off high traffic road.
 - 2 doors vs 1 door accessible by both Dekum and campus. Some concern about people not seeing/feeling connection to Concordia. Movement of auditorium elsewhere could change that feeling.
 - Access for cars off Dekum vs off Rosa Parks favored
 - Access for buses could work on 29th but favor Dekum

Meeting Adjourned 8:00PM