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# Elgin Math & Science Academy

## Minutes

### Master Planning & Facilities Committee Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday June 19, 2024 at 4:00 PM

#### **Location**

Administration Building

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#### **Our Mission:**

The Elgin Math and Science Academy is an EL Education public charter school.

We strive to support the whole child and develop socially responsible leaders who aspire to create a better world.

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#### **Committee Members Present**

C. Flaherty, D. Haight, G. Swick, K. Kelly, S. Bennett (remote)

#### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

#### **Guests Present**

Amy Preston, Design & Construction Consultant, D. Alexander

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

G. Swick called a meeting of the Master Plan & Facilities Committee of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Wednesday Jun 19, 2024 at 4:04 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes of the April 10, 2024, Meeting of the Master Planning Committee**

K. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from Master Planning & Facilities Committee Meeting on 04-10-24.

D. Haight seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**II. Campus Environment & Historical Character Support Group**

**A. Pollinator Garden**

**B. Preston Consulting Group**

Traditional building(s) assessment. Plenty of documentation with great architects & builders. Clean & clear reports for asbestos, etc. What is being underutilized? How to plan for capital and how to pair with a strategic plan. Capital plan, deferred maintenance plan, interviews, potential uses.

EMSA's land is a unique differentiator.

Elementary bldg--roof leaks, drainage issue causing problems, mechanical upgrades, interior potential for add'l learning space

Gym bldg--sound system, theatre space, wear & tear

Art barn--fav space, access to natural light key, security needs upgrade, surrounding property needs improvement

Dining hall--potential for future use

Dorm bldg--folks don't appear to be interested in using it

Home--maintenance, esp roof replacement

Site/land--best and underutilized asset, recommends master plan w civil engineers re grading, erosion, etc to help inform decisions

Vision for the mission--how does the land support that; ability to evolve thanks to landscape of site...combine this with marketing....staff...enrollment

General feeling--overall it is GOOD--folks take pride; community & inclusion mixed reviews; felt safe until after dark

Utilization of outdoor space needs improvement

Signage & way-finding needs attention! celebrate land we are on (trees....spaces...)

Entrance branding...plus matching way-finding....

Lighting...outdoor needed  
Tech  
Innovation/opportunity....

Where do we go with this information?  
Deferred maintenance plan....see attachment

Good shape for mitigating risk....can maintain with an annual plan

Capital plans--nice to haves vs need to haves

Wheeler Kearns Master Plan--have a look

For future master plan, analyze: soils, grading, boundaries, species, et al ("civil" plan)

What doe holistic education look like and how do facilities support that?

Share/partner with community--help a little financially, too

### **C. EMSA hosting community events in summer 2024 - environmentally themed**

Green Guerrilla inviting experts to campus every Friday at noon and offering native plants for sale.

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
K. Kelly

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- 2024\_04\_10\_master\_planning\_\_\_facilities\_committee\_meeting\_minutes.pdf
- 20240430 ELGIN MATH AND SCIENCE ACADEMY (1).pptx
- EMSA Deferred Maintenance & Capital Plan (6).xlsx