



Elgin Math & Science Academy

Minutes

Master Planning & Facilities Committee Meeting

Date and Time Wednesday June 19, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Location Administration Building

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.

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

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Swick called a meeting of the Master Plan & Facilities Committee 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 updgrade, 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

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