



MEETING MINUTES

Project: Tarrant County College District Master Plan **No. of Attendees:** 33

Subject: Northeast - Faculty

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Date: July 27, 2004

Location: Northeast Campus

Attendees: Ray Benge, Jill Pool, Shawn White, Jeff McDoanld, Jackie Woodard, Kelly Willing, Ludwig Otto, Gary Smith, Cassandra Wheeler, Antonio Howell, Nosratallah Nezafati, Carlyle Flemming, Sally Proffitt, Dolores Sutter, Martha Gordon, Pati Cates, Mary Kay Buinger, Alton Evans, Seldon Mapel, Jon Evans, Van Parker, Joy Thetford, Jackie Cabe, Karen Parsons, Jim Barros, Katy Garber, Doris Jones, Larry Davis, Mary Williams, Janie Jackson, Penny Cypert, Bill Cotten, Wendy Shabay

Comments:

- Student Center, Health Sciences, NTAB, Fine Arts Building, Administration
- HPE needs to be reworked, re-evaluated – changed from gym and racquetball to classes, workout rooms and yoga rooms.
- Needs 2 gyms
- Most all buildings on campus need to be renovated. Most all buildings have been converted from their original uses
- Buildings are not as bad as the layout and space within them; inefficient and dysfunctional
- Maintenance and police vehicles are used too much within the campus
- Move smoking areas away from academic building entrances
 - Make a covered, designated area for smokers
- Soundproof throughout classrooms
- Testing Center needs be larger
- Need a secure lock-up area for tests
- Open dispersal of buildings is good, but isolates people
- Traffic lights are good – need more lights at entrances
 - Need turn lane clarified (signage)
- Need light at Precinct Line entrance



- More indoor study areas, lounge areas
- Like collegiate look, like landscape
- Need Testing Center – (as large a room as this meeting room we are in)
- Need classroom, office space – more labs
 - Courses that are needed can't be offered now for lack of space
 - Lecture rooms for 50 students
 - Trying to fit 35-40 students in 25 person rooms
- Need Visitor Center – better wayfinding and signage – information kiosks
- Any new buildings need windows
- Computer-adaptive testing is future goal
- Safety issues – lighting in campus interior and parking lots
- Some buildings are deteriorating – mildew, etc.
- Need computer classrooms – 30-35 student minimum
- Not enough power and infrastructure for technology.
- Need office space
 - Prefer offices near teaching space
 - Buffered/ centralized within the building
 - Offices on a separate floor of classroom/ lab building is good
 - Offices should be accessible – not necessarily with classes
 - Office clusters off small hallways are 'noise traps'
- Need lockers for adjuncts – 'bullpen' office does not work
- Need more space for Children's Center
- Child care for student's needs should be extended
- Need larger Child Care Lab along with room for instruction
 - Parenting skills
- Need space for seminars and CE services
- Expanded art studio space and gallery needed
- Storage space! Storage space! Storage space!
 - Fire Marshall says no stuff stored in hallways
- Conference rooms for departmental meetings needed
 - Northwest campus has computerized room scheduling – Good
- Need large meeting rooms for community conferences
 - North Richland Hills and Tarrant County College Northeast agreed to a TIF plan with a Conferencing Center, but since 1999 taxes have dropped off. Therefore, this has not happened yet. [DO WE NEED TO SITE THIS?]
- Need separate Performing Arts Center on edge of campus for community access – 200 to 250 seats.
- HVAC in music area bad – harming instruments
- Keyless entries needed
- Appropriate signage needed
- Need classroom space in Fine Arts that is flexible
 - Classrooms are not flexible enough for different teaching methods.



- Furniture is outdated
- Inadequate circulation
- Look at rooms that could serve multi-purposes
- Student gathering areas are badly needed
- Need more desks for left handed people
- Could Library become Learning Resource Center?
 - Could move function from other buildings and free up space
 - Needs to have human-scale environment
 - Some needs are for 'Close to Instructors' while others are needed 24 hours a day
- Need to draw people to center of campus where all Student Services could be offered.
 - Student Center is poorly located to serve this function
 - Need to see how many students would take advantage of extra curricular 'Campus Life' activities.
 - Most (?) students have jobs they need to get to – don't hang around when not in class
 - Students say being with their friends HERE is best part of their day. Need to provide more opportunities for social interaction.
 - SC was good in 60's – 70's, but as campus built away, it was abandoned – polarized.
- Students congregate in hallways
- Student Center might be good space for Fine Arts/ Gallery area.

The following reflects our understanding of the items discussed during the subject meeting. Please notify writer of any discrepancies within 10 days.
