

**SIAC Meeting 10/25/16**  
**Hoover Elementary School, Library**  
**6:30 pm – 8:00 pm**

The SIAC was a posted meeting.

Mr. Hatfield and Jodi Yeggy, board member, welcomed and thanked those in attendance. Mrs. Yeggy provided a quick overview of the meeting agenda. SIAC meeting packets were distributed. The packets included updated external plans for the high school/middle school project. Mrs. Yeggy stated that the goal of the meeting was to get the facts out about the bond and explained the Board of Education has established the date for the bond to be February 7, 2017. This date can give the board time to reassess and go back for another vote, if necessary, before the budget for next school year is due.

Jesse Lizer, of Struxture Architects, presented exterior design options and stated that the plans are not final and will be revised throughout initial process. The main point at this time is to finalize the main structure of the design and smaller details will be later in the process.

Mr. Lizer handed out index cards for attendee input to list top 2 likes and dislikes of exterior look options for hs/ms project. Attendees discussed their choices and reasons for their choices. Ms. Franklin asked about the option of using solar panels for energy/efficiency. Mr. Hatfield discussed that solar panels may be an option but trying to integrate solar panels with existing systems such as geothermal and standard energy might be difficult but will be looked into.

Questions were asked regarding sound proofing flexible space/T.E.A.L. (Technology Enhanced Active Learning) classrooms, amount of teachers vs. classroom, and class occupancy. Mr. Hatfield replied that modern dividers are designed to limit noise, and not all classes are occupied all day and usually have an 80% occupancy rate. Unoccupied rooms and flexible space/TEAL areas will be used for non-core classes such as TAG.

Board member Yeggy talked about upcoming community meeting to inform the community and gather feedback will be held November 28th. Struxture Architects will have the final set of drawings available for the meeting. Tweaks to the plans will be based on feedback from the community meeting. Board president Mike Colbert said that the non-negotiable areas for the project are: 6-12 campus, 2 campus district, auditorium addition, bus zone, security, and modernization of spaces.

The board has discussed the bonding scenarios for the proposed February 7, 2017 bond and have narrowed it to two options: \$3.25 will raise \$17 million and \$3.50 will raise \$19 million. A discussion was held about changes in property taxes. Mr. Hatfield shared that the current school levy rate is 14.06 per assessed \$1000 of valuation. This is closer to the lower quartile when compared to GWAEA, regional school districts.

If choosing the lower option then the district will have to use Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (*PPEL*) and SAVE money which is dependent on government funding and currently there is a proposal that PPEL money be used for water quality initiatives that will reduce the amount that public schools can receive. A drawback for using PPEL/SAVE funds is that it will need to be

renewed and may not pass. The board has decided to go with \$3.50 because the District is managing levies to time this process up with the est. \$1.09 / \$1.10 decrease once elementary geothermal is complete in 2018. (\*He explained that this has the net effect of making a \$3.50 bond structure a \$2.40 increase.) This model equates to about \$18-\$20 a month for a \$200,000 home.

Mr. Hatfield stated that the board will try to update areas needed most such as the lunchroom by using PPEL funds instead of bond money.

President Colbert suggested putting together a committee to gather signatures to be able to get the bond to a vote and spur community interest. The Board needs a community group to submit a petition of 103 signatures to the Board for approval to begin the bond process. Jeni Schiele volunteered to head the committee. Mackenzie Edwards volunteered to assist Mrs. Schiele in the committee. Jennie Embree has contacted the county auditor for information on satellite voting/approval.

The next SIAC meeting (community forum) is Monday, Nov. 28, 2016, 6:30 pm. (The location is yet to be determined, but likely still in the Hoover Elementary School's library.)

Those in attendance were:

Kevin Hatfield, Sara Oswald, Jess Burger, Mike Colbert, Jodi Yeggy, Julie Sexton, Keith Schultes, Jesse Lizer, Kelsey Strobe, Kevin Franklin, Jamie Franklin, Michelle Fortune, Mackenzie Edwards, Jodi Clemens, Jeni Schiele, Chris Copeland, Jennie Embree, Roger Laughlin, Carolyn Harold, Emily Harold, and Laura Gongora.