

## Educational Facilities Task Force meeting, March 16, 2023

In attendance:

Daniel Broder, Chair

Justine Christianson, took notes for this meeting

Sam Denes

Stuart Eisenberg

Amy Parker

Joanne Waszczak

1. Past minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Stuart Eisenberg announced his term will be ending, and he is unable to extend to another term due to other commitments. The task force thanked Mr. Eisenberg for his service.
3. Hyattsville Elementary School discussion.

Mr. Broder noted there is need for increased communication about the planned construction between PGCPs and the parent community. The PTA has been supportive and is willing to assist with outreach.

Parents have reached out to Councilmember Waszczak with concerns about why a rebuild is needed rather than just renovation.

Mr. Broder stated he has reached out to Jason Washington of PGCPs to organize a town hall for parents and is working with the PTA. There are plans to have a PGCPs presence at Zombie Run and other city events. The date and time are not yet confirmed for the town hall.

Jim Chandler advised the task force that events like the Zombie Run can be advertised in the green sheet. For placing an advertisement for the town hall, send the request to Jim with councilmembers Waszczak or Denes cc'd.

Councilmember Waszczak expanded on the feedback she has heard regarding renovation vs rebuild. Justine Christianson suggested this could be a topic for Jason Washington and/or Shawn Matlock from PGCPs to address in a town hall.

A community member attending the meeting asked about projected student populations at HES. There was discussion about how PGCPs projects future student population numbers at schools, boundary shifts, and that the new construction is purposefully planned for future growth rather than at 100

percent capacity when completed. It was agreed another discussion point for the town hall could be how PGCPs determines school capacities, boundaries, and other factors when planning new construction.

Councilmember Waszczak stated she would still like a plan for swing space. There was discussion regarding equity, busing, and potential swing space.

Mr. Broder noted he has not heard any updates on that. **ACTION ITEM:** check in with Jason Washington regarding swing space planning and if the swing space coordinator position has been filled.

Meeting adjourned.