

Roosevelt *Take Action* Feedback

19 comment cards returned – about 70 staff

6th Grade/Stevens

- Why does 6th grade need to be at the middle school? If we get a bond passed, shouldn't it be for a greater need? For example: a NEW plan for the high school or elementary schools which are not meeting standards and/or student need?
- How will moving 6th grade back to Stevens help if buildings need FTE's of 400 to break even work? Jefferson and DC are already under 400 students. That seems like it will not work financially.
- Can we not use the \$5.7 million from Monroe until we pass a capital levy?

Ball Fields

- If the baseball field is facing the soccer field, and games are playing at the same time, potentially baseballs could hit soccer players and vice versa.
- I am very excited about your fields idea at the Monroe site. I am currently the VP of Storm King Soccer and having a field like this would be a huge benefit to the community and soccer community. I would love to support or partner in any way possible. Please feel free to call or email. Thank you, Michael Miller, para at Roosevelt.
- We need fields badly on the Eastside of town for all families that live on the East side. All families have to travel to the West side for most sports.
- Step the fields-so we can save jobs!
- Like the sports field at Monroe!

Parents/Community/Voting

- How are we going to encourage parents to buy-in when so many of our families are short sighted, living day to day? 6 years is a long time to wait before seeing action.
- How can we increase voter turnout? Are mail-in ballots an obstacle, considering the dynamics of our community? This is a state level thing, but what can we do?
- When looking at the voter %, is there a way to find out how many out-of-state property owners are in our tax base? (Those that are buying for rentals or vacation homes?)
- The public doesn't know what we're up against. We need to figure out how to really inform the community of what we are doing to save and conserve money so they will be receptive of a levy. Currently public thinks we're greedy.
- All people think about when we talk to the community is that it means more taxes which is more money out of their pocket. They need to know about the State match money and we need coaching on how to have these conversations.

- Have you talked to the community about opening themselves up to new business? This will increase our tax base and keep money in PA instead of people leaving to shop in larger stores in Sequim or Silverdale.

Other Ideas

- Why not think of banding grades so same classes wouldn't have 25-30 students while others have 15 or so? Would it save money?

Transportation

- If transportation is an issue, due to McCleary and special programs, aren't busses traveling across the city anyway?

RIFs

- With teacher RIFs, will there be more split classes?
- How many teachers would swap buildings?
- Will TOSA/Coaches be affected?
- How many retiring folks do we already know about from Intent to Return forms?
- I am a new teacher with PASD this year. Naturally, I am concerned about being one of the last teachers hired this year and being RIF'd. While I am grateful that we will know if we are being RIF'd in the next week or so, I want to make sure that you are aware that there is a nationwide shortage of qualified strings teachers. So much so, that I came here from the east coast, and I was required to find a replacement for myself before I could be released from my contract there. I have enjoyed teaching for PASD so far and want to stay. Thank you Teres Bjornes

CSB to Lincoln

- Love the move of CSB to Lincoln.
- I like the idea of moving the CSB building to the skills center.
- Does Lincoln High School need a better building (Lincoln Center)?
- Like the move to the skills center.

Safety

- We should make controlled entryways a top priority for the safety of our students/staff. Those projects should be on the top of the list to accomplish within the next year.

Administration

- Could we help the budget by having admin benefit package the same as teachers?
- Can the highest paid administrators forfeit their latest raises? Can the Admin benefits package be matching teachers? - not more

High School

- When will the high school building issues be addressed?

Fairview

- Is the \$3.2 million for the building per year or a one-time payment?

General Comments

- I am excited about the draft plan. I agree that getting some “construction” started – whether move to new office, gate at Jefferson, fields, etc. Great idea! Keep “getting out” to share the messages! Nice, worthy of your time and ours.
- Thank you for sharing this plan. I can see a lot of thought and planning have gone into it. I think it’s a good plan and I support it.
- I appreciate the communication and power point! Thank you