

Stevens Middle School Feedback February 27, 2019 – 6 Big Ideas

Monroe Playfields:

- I would invest in turf playing fields at the high school first.
- Instead of investing capital funds in non-high school sites, have we considered partnering with the community to enhance sports facilities on-site. In my opinion, this would help infuse the positive energy generated by athletics into the HS campus.
- We need a turf field
- Have we considered using capital money to add artificial turf to existing fields prior to building new fields?

Donohue House:

- I would agree the property needs to be cleared.

Move CSB to Lincoln Center:

- Half agree. I support the intent. I also believe it could be an early intervention focus center. Regardless of why it wouldn't work, ie limited play area, stairs, etc. I believe we could look at consolidating Kindergarten resources on this property. It would solve the over-crowded issues in the elementary. It would allow for a consolidated early intervention Pre-K efforts. And it would demonstrate to the public that new buildings are for kids. Maybe the building could accommodate both purposes.
- I think moving CSB to Lincoln Center and selling the building downtown sounds like an idea worth looking into. I appreciate that he is taking the time to come explain things to each staff.
- A smart idea.

Safety Vestibules:

- Seems appropriate in some buildings. Makes less sense in buildings with multiple entrances.
- Absolutely! And please thank him for thinking of students' and staff safety.

Lease Fairview:

- I understand the dollar figure. But it might have been better for the old Dry Creek to have been torn down. It's heart-breaking to see it's condition today. I appreciate that Monroe was cleared.
- Does the 3.2 million come annually?
- Could it be low-income housing?

Sell land around SMS:

- Some land sales makes sense. It seems, however, Steven's facilities need more discussion and planning. Stevens fields are another area that could benefit from a turfed, and/or finished, outdoor play facility. I am less of an advocate for expanding additional buildings on this campus and spreading out a middle school population. Have there been architectural attempts to build infrastructure to connect the main building to the gym. This connecting structure could provide a commons area, lunch room, office area, and possible second story classrooms. It would be a welcoming entry point that could drastically change the feel of the existing building. It could also be a lower cost win demonstrating good stewardship of the taxpayers dollar. And it keeps middle school kids from wondering around an expanded campus.

Other:

- 6th grade transition: How will that be timed with Franklin construction? I'm assuming getting them to the middle school will happen first?
 - Worried about "former" plan for SMS.
 - Taking out lockers
 - Adding 6th graders to current halls would not work, so your explanation of "ground up" design is much appreciated.
- Thank you for your hard work and dedication to PA. I trust and believe in your ideas. And I would like to see a turf field! ☺

