



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Meeting Minutes

Subject Facilities District Advisory Committee – Santa Monica (FDAC-SM)

Date June 30, 2025

Time 4:30 pm

Location FIP Office

1. Call to Order – Alexis called the meeting to order at 4:36pm

Margaret Bach  
Amy Bisson  
Hye-Young Chung (absent)  
Alexis Dennis-Huether  
Joan Krenik  
Ralph Mechur (absent)  
Judith Meister  
Josh Seegopaul  
Jeffrey Wittenberg (absent)  
Tony Lopez – City of Santa Monica Rep  
Laurie Lieberman – Board of Education Liaison (absent)  
Alicia Mignano – Board of Education Liaison  
Jon Kean – Board of Education Liaison

2. Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve made by Amy, unanimously approved.  
a. November 12, 2024  
b. January 13, 2025

3. Chairperson Communications/Reports – No report. Alexis mentioned that the cadence of our meetings if we still wanted to meet monthly or every other month given that attendance can be challenging. Judith suggested a scheduled every-other month meeting. Carey added that there may come a time when the Ed Specs need to be discussed and we can hold a special meeting for that if acceptable.

4. Staff Communications/Reports – Steve introduced the City of SM representative, Tony Lopez. Tony gave the committee a brief introduction. Steve recongized Barbara Chiavelli's, FIP's Senior Design Manager's retirement.

5. Report from the FDACSM Design Review Subcommittee – No report

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6. Information Items

- a. Measure QS issuance update – Steve informed the committee that we have issued the first series of Measure QS bonds. We closed last week on 200m issuance.

7. Discussion Items

- a. Presentation regarding JAMS STEM Building Project – Barbara gave an overview of the project and introduced Michael Pinto and John Kim from NAC. Michael recapped the project and reviewed the changes since the committee last saw it noting the challenges to enclose the building. Barbara noted that these plans have been resubmitted to DSA and these plans should only be about a month off and schedule was not impacted. Carey added that the cost of the changes is approximately 550K more. Jon wanted to address that the board did not have a problem with the open building concept, what they were concerned with was the air flow. It was not a design issue, it was a functionality issue.  
Committee asked questions regarding solar panels and the savings with having them and the type of HVAC system.
- b. Presentation regarding Samohi Phase 4 Project – Noemi gave an overview of the project and noted that the project budget is 72.9m and we are currently over by 2m but are confident that we can get to our budget number. Noemi noted that the project is currently in design development. Rick from LPA recapped the goals and presented the revised plans for the project. Team answered questions from committee members. Carey reviewed what was taken out of the project in order to reduce the cost. Steve reviewed construction access for the project.

8. Ongoing Project Updates:

- a. Samohi Exploration Building and Gold Gym (SMS) – Noemi updated
  - i. Construction Update
  - ii. South Gym/Bleachers – nearing completion, punchlist underway.
- b. Muir/SMASH Water Intrusion Repair Project (SMS) – Kevin
  - i. Construction Update – 2 classroom buildings (C & D) are ahead of building A & B. On track for a completion date of December 2025
- c. Muir/SMASH Admin/Parking Improvements (QS)
  - i. Construction Update – Parking lot is currently being reconstructed.
- d. McKinley New Classroom/Admin Building (SMS) – Kevin
  - i. Construction Schedule Update – Most of the framing is done. Mechanical & electrical systems are being installed. We are working hard to be finished in December 2025
- e. Rogers New Early Elementary Building and Field (SMS) – Kevin
  - i. Construction Update – On track to complete in July 2025. Push to get the enclosed playground and parking lot completed.
- f. Grant New Classroom Project (QS)

- i. Construction Update – Currently fenced off. Demo will commence shortly.
  - g. Grant Library Modernization Project (QS)
    - i. Construction Update – Interim library up and ready to go. We have started demo of the existing library and courtyard with a plan in place to protect the important trees in the space. The courtyard is due to open in late October 2025.
  - h. Grant Early Elementary Mod Construction Update (QS) – Kevin
    - i. Construction Update – TK renovation is on tract to be delivered to the district later this month.
  - i. Roosevelt Early Elementary Building and Library (QS)
    - i. Construction Update – Construction fence is up along Montana. Some playground demo has begun. District salvage efforts have been completed.
  - j. Lincoln Middle School 500s Building Modernization (QS)
    - i. Construction Update – Renovation of the shops building is underway.
  - k. JAMS STEM Building Project (QS) (presentation above)
    - i. Design and Permitting Update
    - ii. Construction Update – Teams have mobilized. Some demo underway.
- 9. Upcoming Project Updates – Carey/Barbara/Michael/Steve
  - a. Franklin Campus Plan (QS)
    - i. Early Elementary Building Design Status Update – Barbara updated. MND was approved in April. We are in construction documents. Slated to go to DSA in October. The project has 4 phases to start next summer. Size of the field and turf were at issue at the board meeting. We have been directed by move forward with the turf but we will continue to look into the subject.
  - b. Samohi Campus Plan Phase 4 (QS)
    - i. Student Services/Student Center Design Status Update (skipped, presentation above)
- 10. Public Comments: None
- 11. Future Meeting(s): 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every other month  
August 25, 2025
- 12. Requested Topics for Future Meetings:
  - 1. Discuss site committees
- 13. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Judith, seconded by Amy. Meeting adjourned at 6:28pm