

WRE Project Programming Committee
January 24, 2018 Meeting
Summary

Committee Overview

The purpose of the WRE Project Programming Committee is to work with project architects from Perkins + Will to provide information and direction regarding design elements for WRE's expansion project.

The expansion project will potentially include up to 12 additional classrooms, and more space for core/central functions, such as the gymnasium, cafeteria, library, kitchen and administrative/front office. Final elements will be determined through the committee's process.

Committee members include WRE teachers, current/future parents, members of the Perkins + Will design team and RISD operations/facilities staff. The committee is expected to meet five times over the next two months, in addition to two meetings to share the committee's work with the broader WRE community.

Committee members include:

- Lee Walker – Committee Lead
- Jen Walker – Support Staff
- Denise Newman – Support Staff
- Joni Owen – Kinder/1st Grade
- Gretchen Stewart – 2nd/3rd grades
- Miriam Osborne – 4th grade
- Amy Burger – 5th/6th grades
- Ron Crawford – Specials
- Brittany Code – 504, Special Ed, ELL & Dyslexia
- Susan McGinnis – Library & Computer Lab
- Angela McClure – RISD Exec. Director over WRE cluster
- Michael Longanecker – RISD Facilities
- Sandra Hayes – RISD Asst. Superintendent of Operations
- Perkins + Will Team – Architects
- Keely Smith – PTA
- Stephani Walne – PTA
- Robert Walne – HOA, parent
- Josh Northam – HOA, parent
- Mark Gray – Dad's Club
- Scott Woodard – Dad's Club
- Richard Duge – WRVNA, future parent

P+W team members on the WRE expansion project include:

Daniel Day, Senior Project Manager
David McMillin, Project Architect

Parents, residents or stakeholders interested in following the process are encouraged to review meeting recaps, presentations and plans on the White Rock Elementary website.

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The Project Programming Committee met briefly on January 24, 2018, to receive current information on timeline and construction progress

After this meeting, the City of Dallas will host a public hearing on the fill permit needed for this construction process. A new rendering was shown of the west porch. The timeline based on approval of the fill permit will be summer 2019. During the renovation process, all classrooms will be "touched" so that no area or space is not updated with lighting, HVAC, flooring, module furniture. The abatement is being completed in phases, first completed over winter break, second will be done during spring break, and third is scheduled for summer.

The proposed floodplain plan will place pipes underground to eliminate potential flooding and pooling of water. The plan will affect only two existing trees on the grounds. The playground/field area will not be functional for approximately four months starting in April based on the fill permit being approved by the City. The playground/field area will be fenced off during this time period. The plan will also raise the parking lot by 2 feet to meet code regulations.

Timeline stays the same as previously presented: the new library, admin offices, connector wing all in 2018 with cafeteria staying operable during all construction until the renovation in summer 2019. Admin offices and clinic will be relocated to existing computer lab. All visitors will go through the same security process while in the temporary location. The timeline does not have the new admin offices ready until after the start of school 2018.

Current traffic flow is good.

Question regarding saving bricks at the front entrance was mentioned. PTA and Dad's Club will discuss a possible solution.

The presentation provided at the meeting is available for viewing through the WRE website.