

District of Columbia Public Schools
Washington, DC

Re: **River Terrace Elementary School Addition and Renovation**
District of Columbia Public Schools
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Project No. 213093.00

SIT Meeting
October 23, 2013

Meeting convened at Phelps ACE HS

Remarks:

1. Welcome and opening remarks by Dr. Pressley.
2. Eupert Braithwaite reported on the status of the project relative to the schedule and some of the activities, and aspects of the process that have been and are on-going. A lot of refinement and development has occurred since the last SIT Meeting.
3. Mel Mitchell introduced the Architectural team present and gave overview of progress and activities of the team.
4. Ed Schmidt presented the building for the Architectural team, highlighting the advancement and refinements and how we had responded to questions raised at the last SIT Meeting.
5. Then the attendees were broken into two breakout groups. Each of the groups was led by members of the Architectural team who answered questions and encouraged suggestions and ideas. These were noted on the drawing and will be responded to at the next SIT meeting.
6. At the break-out group led by Wendell Adams and Vicente Caballero, the following issues were discussed:
 - a. There may be an opportunity to provide stimulation strategies in the wide area of the corridor in the elementary age classroom wing.
 - b. Can there be a way to park wheel chairs when students are out of chair doing activities, particularly in the elementary age classroom wing
 - c. Questions were asked about how the HVAC system be provided in the school.
 - d. There was discussion and interest in how students would be protected outside the school during drills and emergencies.
 - e. A question was asked about the older students outside play area and suggestions that additional activities might be investigated.
 - f. Where is the a custodial office located?
 - g. Is there a more open entrance to some of the Resource classrooms?
 - h. The entrance to the Music Room seems slighted in comparison to the Art Room.

- b. There was a question asking for clarification to the project schedule. Mr. Braithwaite indicated the construction activity was expected to begin not long after the beginning of the New Year. However, there may be some limited soil testing and inspection activities occurring on the site in the next few weeks; that work is necessary to gather information about the site.
10. The meeting ended at about 8:15pm.