

Phase Two: Solution Options – The Process

Community-developed Plan Options

In the second phase of the district's facilities planning process, fifty plus volunteers - comprised of community residents and district staff members representing each school building - shaped the plan options that were presented to the community. District residents were asked to participate in the building workshops through the local media, through district mailings, on the district website, through emails to all residents who participated in the district-wide dialogue in November.

This collaboration effort took place at two brainstorming sessions:

- Design Workshop I – January 13
- Design Workshop II – January 22

This district-wide group included the Facilities Advisory Panel (three representatives from each of the four communities) and the Building Teams - volunteers from the community and district staff who came together multiple times in the assessment phase with input on the conditions/needs of the buildings. In addition, more community residents answered the open call to become involved in this phase.

At the first Solution Options workshop on January 13, all facilities plan suggestions from this community/staff group were captured, ultimately leading to twelve different options being shared and posted. The group then broke into small teams where each weighed in on the pros and cons of a particular plan option. They then shared their comments with the entire group. The participants were emailed the presented options and group comments for further review. At the second workshop on January 22 these suggested options were once again examined and every participant voted via colored stickers for their first, second and third choices.

The top three selections from this group then became the foundation to gather feedback from the entire community. In addition, as the district had promised from the start of this process, the option of maintaining the current five-school configuration would be included as a possible choice.

Community-wide Feedback

Beginning March 18, the community at large has been able to review and respond to these possible plan options. In an effort to provide information and to make offering feedback as convenient and accessible as possible, the district has provided a variety of opportunities:

- Community Dialogue II – March 25
- Ongoing feedback opportunities: Online at www.mariemontschools.org; on paper available at all school buildings, the public library and Marielders
- Contact Paul Imhoff, superintendent, directly at 272-7500 or pimhoff@mariemontschools.org

Residents have the ability to voice their assessment of these options along with any alterations they may prefer.

If you have any further questions/concerns on any aspect of this facilities planning process, please do not hesitate to contact Paul Imhoff, superintendent, at 272-7500 or pimhoff@mariemontschools.org.