

Community Center/Senior Center Design Team & Advisory Subcommittee Meeting
Municipal Center – Meeting Room #3
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT 06470
February 7, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Dan Rosenthal, Brian Hartgraves, Bill Buchler, Carla Kron, Amy Mangold, Kinga Walsh, Andy Clure (7:10pm),

Meeting came to order: 7:01pm

Committee reviewed each room's proposed fixture list and discussed specific room uses.

General Questions/comments/requests of QA:

- To create layout elevations of each room (including kitchen) so one can clearly see proposed design and usage of materials.
- Throughout building, what considerations were made to minimize sound "travel" (e.g., drop ceilings, cork-like wall in entryway, tile versus carpet, sound tiles) in each room/area?
- Please revise rooms to be labeled "Multi purpose 1-7" versus dedicated usage. Almost all the rooms (except maybe art room) can have multiple usage purposes. Names such as "exercise" or "classroom" may create limited usage perceptions.
- Requested clarification on usage of "general wall and trim color" as shown on board.
- Requested QA provide timetable on café options presentation.
- Requested QA provide schematic of front patio areas as well as clarify if doors from "Classroom #1" and "Exercise Room #1 and #2" are code requirements or not. If not, QA to provide rationale for inclusion.

Entryway-

- Overall, color scheme and materials proposed were liked.
- Questions:
 - o Why colored squares along wall? How would art work or other materials be seen/contrasted against if hung?
 - o Cork-like material: concern raised that it will get "picked away" given unevenness. What other options can be used? What goal was this material achieving (sound? Easy notice hanging?)?
 - o How high up the walls does the tile go? How will corridors look?
 - o On walls, can a picture-rail (mirroring what is used in municipal center) be added for flexible hanging options? Can this be hung through tile?
 - o Is single green/blue tile for drinking fountain (as shown on Senior Center board)?
 - o Per 11.28.17 meeting notes, all water fountains will be ADA code compliant and will offer drinking and water refilling options at all locations (3-4 in total in building). Requested QA to confirm.

Art Room:

- Agree with sealed concrete floors. Room would be used for art classes of all mediums such as paint, clay, paper, glue, etc.
- Concern raised that wall color may be too dark. Requested QA provide rationale for color.
- Requested sample of “decorative ceiling”.
- Cultural Arts provided written input on materials. See attached.

“Classrooms”:

- Usage would be anything except activity that would be extremely messy (ie paint). Examples include but are not limited to birthday parties, group meetings, game playing events (chess, boardgames, bingo for example), crafts (except paint or paper mache for example).
- Concern raised that wall color may be too dark. Requested QA provide rationale for color.
- Requested detailed layout of “acoustical and exposed ceiling”.

Exercise Rooms:

- Room usage will range and include any thing that may be provided with the padded floor e.g., zumba, small yoga, dance lessons, mommy and me stretching, etc.
- Requested detailed layout of “acoustical and exposed ceiling”.
- Requested clarification on how well proposed flooring meets dance needs versus general movement.

Multi-purpose 1-3:

- As discussed during Design meetings at C&W, usage is not primarily banquets but multi-purpose usage with banquets as a priority given need in town.
- Carla Kron provided sample layouts as well as usage options (see attached). In short, room(s) to be used for everything from performances (band, dance, demos) to small day camp indoor “running” activities to banquets. Agreed hard-flooring (wooden, laminate, etc) would be better option versus carpet.
- Requested more detail on style of curtains – long? Valence? Decorative or functional?
- Requested detailed layout of “decorative ceiling” and specific placement and quantity of ceiling accent wooden squares for sound.
- Asked what other “portable/free standing” sound suppression options are available and if considered.
- Asked if wooden squares would also be placed on walls for sound management or if any wall-mounted options considered.

Legacy Meeting Room:

- Requested sample of “decorative ceiling”.

Office:

- Generally agreed with proposed fixtures; however, requested other wall color options be investigated versus proposed pea-green.

Pool Area and Locker Rooms:

- Generally agreed with proposed fixtures.
- Requested clarification on grout: is grout being used throughout? If so, what color and would it be easily visible?

Meeting adjourned: 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kinga Walsh

Design Subcommittee Chair