

**Barnard Field Committee  
South High School  
January 25, 2017**

**Attendees:** Scott Schluter, Judy Ayers, Harold Benson, Derric Johnson, Emma Schluter, Joseph Branca, Maddy Tennant, Steve Richter, Flannery Clark, Theresa Bulander, Mark Gross, Ray Aponte, Brett McNeal, John Sandahl, Maria White, Emily Regan, Karen DeVet

**Last Meeting's Minutes:**

- Approved, no changes

**Corcoran Neighborhood Organization:**

- February 2: land use & housing meeting
- Neighborhood org wants a creative expansion of space
- Parking is a concern of the neighborhood

**Coaches:**

- Discussed results of survey
- Mark stated importance of long-term track surface, make it an investment, also need for 8 lanes and timing capabilities
  - Dirt & cinder for no maintenance, MONDO- high quality
- Ray stated need for safety,
- Transportation of athletes to practices spaces away from South campus is financial burden
- Put together a maintenance plan with district, check with Washburn
- South High Student Map

**South High Student Map:**

- Theresa showed map of districts across Minneapolis students come from

**Phy Ed/Security:**

Scott received Phy Ed and Security input

**South High Foundation:**

- Info to take to committee, using email from contractor
- Quality and moving forward are the main goals

**Students:**

- Survey recruitment
  - Facebook page for South athletics
  - South website
  - Pass slips of paper at lunch/have Tony announce it

- Have ambassadors use 2<sup>nd</sup> period to get the word out, use tablets
- Southerner article
- ~2,000 students at South, 10% would be great
- Provide results by next meeting

### **Pomeroy Email:**

- Things left out?
  - Practice space included in renovation? Think big?
  - Superintendent said “Barnard Field”, stick with field proper
  - Questions to ask parents
    - What would make parents come (rank choices)
    - What sports do the kids do?
    - Is parking an issue?
    - Did you know we were renovating?
  - Ask parents before next meeting

### **Committee member:**

- MPS not opposed to process, want to be part of it
- Depends on what neighborhood committee decides
- Corcoran Neighborhood Org has turned down proposals because want the corner to be appealing
- On the land use & housing committee meeting, Aponte will attend
- 3 different scenarios
  - As is
  - Including 30 ½ Street
  - All the way to Lake Street
- Neighborhood wants eyes on the street, crime rate goes up with no eyes on the street
- Create a vision

### **Safety:**

- Seasonal dome? Owning one may be less expensive than using others
- Messaging sign?
  - Where to place it
  - How to update it
- Turf versus grass
  - Turf can be used more often
  - Health effects minor compared to benefits of turf
- Regulation sizes for fields- Scott would like to know

### **Input/Priorities to Action:**

- As much space as possible
- 1 side bleachers

- Existing concession stand
- Get small group of people together (Brett) to arrange priorities, send to contractors
- Sports included: soccer, lacrosse, football, rugby
- Consider changing name
  - “Gallant fighting tigers athletic fields”
- Summarized priorities:
  - Lights
  - Scoreboard
  - Remove 1 side bleacher
  - Equipment storage
  - Drainage system safer
  - Bathrooms better configuration
  - Non-running parts of a track
  - Dimensions appropriate for sports
  - Dome footings (potential)
  - Expandable bleachers?

**Actions Items:**

- Brett will look in to Washburn maintenance plan
- Corcoran neighborhood meeting, Feb. 2. Ray will present for South regarding 30 1/2 Street.
- Ray will send coach's survey input requests to Pomeroy.
- Scott will have a table at Academic Night, open for questions from parents/students.
- Maddy and Emma will present preliminary plan/ideas at PUSH meeting, Feb. 13th.
- Joe, Maddy and Emma will put out student info/survey via Southerner/other.
- Foundation will send out recap to Foundation list.
- Funding options- what funding can district provide
  - Stages, start with just Barnard proper
  - Limits of district funding likely in spring
- Next committee meeting Feb. 8 at 4:30 pm