

21st Century School Facilities Commission

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Agenda

January 13, 2017

1:00 p.m.

House Office Building, Room 120

Annapolis, Maryland



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- I. Call to Order and Chair's Opening Remarks**
 - II. Work Session**
 - III. Chair's Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION

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Major Themes That Emerged in 2016

1. Flexibility

- One Size Does Not Fit All LEAs -- State/IAC review of LEAs should be differentiated based on LEA's previous experience in construction and maintaining schools and capacity of the LEA (i.e., ed specs, schematic design, design development, construction documents, project contract, change orders)
- Shorter/limited review of projects for LEAs that have good track record in school construction and maintenance will allow IAC to focus more resources on LEAs that need additional technical assistance
- Schools should be built to allow flexibility in spaces and uses in the future

2. Time is Money

- School construction review process should be streamlined wherever possible – too cumbersome, time consuming, bureaucratic, and ultimately expensive – while maintaining accountability for State investments
- Reduce the duplication of effort at the State and local levels (i.e., ed specs, schematic design, design development, construction documents, contracts, change orders etc.)

3. Incentives

- Encourage LEAs to take advantage of what is already allowed under State law and regulations by providing monetary or procedural incentive/pilot programs:
 - Alternative construction methods and materials
 - Alternative project delivery
 - Innovative design
 - Alternative Financing
 - Use of Prototypes/Repeat School Design - Limit State review to changes from previously reviewed prototype

4. Clearinghouse/Technical Assistance

- State/IAC should be clearinghouse for research-based best practices in all areas of school design and construction
- State/IAC should research and provide technical assistance for innovative design/construction materials/project delivery/energy conservation etc. and then partner with LEAs to pilot promising practices

Major Themes for Further Examination in 2017

1. Funding
2. Procurement and Construction
3. Structure of IAC Process/Roles