Media center eyed

Schools are weighing site plans for Eagle

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In what chairman James Abernathy termed a "good beginning," preliminary site plans for a long-awaited media center at Eagle Elementary were reviewed Tuesday by the Farmington Schools Building and Site Committee.

Abernathy requested a more detailed, enlarged plan showing equipment and furniture placement with total dollar estimates.

Costs for the media center, without equipment and furniture, are projected at $291,000. The center will be funded with money received from the sale of property at 12 Mile and Drake to Little Caesar's International.

That $3-million-plus sale will close before mid-December, according to Michael Flanagan, Farmington Public Schools assistant superintendent of finance. Investment of this money will bring the district $1,000 per day revenue, plus place the Little Caesar's site on school tax rolls, he said.

Some committee and school board members said the proposed 70- by 49-square-foot total media center area may not be large enough to accommodate the orthopedic program handled by Eagle, located at 14 Mile and Middlebelt in West Bloomfield. Preliminary plans detail a large central area, two conference rooms, computer facilities, a gym office and much-needed audio-visual storage.

STAFF IN the new media center, including aides and teachers, will total about 50.

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Lawrence Freedman believes "the key is a flexible area that can handle growing programs. As a media center staff changes and grows, they will have different ideas for how a center is used."

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> *— Jack Lawing, director, administrative services*

In a survey of other district elementary media centers, specialists voiced concern about humidity, climate control and specialized lighting. Committee members received a copy of this report for future reference.

The plan was presented to the committee by Jack Lawing, director of administrative services for the district. "The plan is developed around a prototype of other media centers in the district," he said.

Eagle's facility design is similar to Gill and Kenbrook elementary centers. Potential "trouble spots" for unwanted student activity between the center and present building have been eliminated by design, Lawing said.

Preliminary plans place the new center west of the present gymnasium, utilizing a common wall. If expansion is deemed necessary, additions could be made south or west of the proposed media center area.

IN OTHER committee activity, a preliminary proposal for an estimated three-year, $50,000 barrier-free park at Cloverdale Center was reviewed. Doug Smith presented the plan, designed to allow severely physically handicapped students outdoor access to special playground equipment and 900 linear feet of paved areas.

Pontiac-based Bills/Childs Associates has been retained to design the project, modeled after Pontiac's Hawthorn Center. A special track is also planned for Special Olympics training.

School staff and parents are coordinating the effort, for which they will seek state and private grants, plus local contributions. The Farmington-area Lions have earmarked $4,000 for the project, and have applied for a national Lions grant as well. Final designs are expected to be completed by the spring of 1986, according to information presented.

In other discussion, the committee did not recommend selling property at the corner of 10 Mile and Middlebelt.

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