

User Group Input

Review of Building Renovation Proposal
West Side Presbyterian Church
May 6, 2005

The West Side Presbyterian Church Building Committee, beginning in January 2005, moved forward on the concept of a renovation of the building based on the 2004 work of the Vision Committee. After verifying program needs and revising the plans, input was solicited from a wide cross section of people who use the facilities.

The Committee and the Architect discussed the plans with Church Administrator Karol Aronson and Building Manager Shawn Packard, for their input before the plans were finalized. They advised the Committee on the best split of staff offices between upstairs and downstairs, utility location, the need for access to the belltower, and details of space use. The plans were modified to reflect their comments, and then the plans were reviewed with representatives of the ministries and user groups that most frequently use the church facilities.

Additional input received during these reviews, which were conducted over the course of two days, are summarized here.

April 15, 2005

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Louis Platt	Melissa Shults	Mary Packard
Carreen Smith	Ron Rice	Jim and Charlotte Loski
Dianne Crawford	Denise McGaffey	Betty Hoagland
	Jan Neupert	Bill and Betty Code
	Jay Maurer	
Freda Ricord, Bldg Comm.	Freda Ricord, Bldg Comm.	Freda Ricord, Bldg Comm.
	Paul Smith, Bldg Comm.	

UPSTAIRS

Revise Dianne's office/Sunday School room with an additional door to hallway.
Reglaze bow window to reduce noise?

STREET

Concern about location shown for nurse because of lack of window.
Door to bathroom from nurses room would be useful
Desire for water fountains
Communion items will move from current location in Cry Room back to Prayer Room
Can we have working gas fireplaces?
Entry area: the point of the changes is not to "reduce congestion" but to increase fellowship and conversation. Make sure there is enough space to serve coffee to a crowd.
Desire to have effective coffee hour after second service.
Kitchen: Kitchen users will look into desired freezer and size required.
Howell: Please put in fans!
The new credenza should be made in pieces with wheels – great flexibility
Classroom 7 is now being used by 3rd graders, and is noisy.

LOWER LEVEL

Storage: Users will need to discuss storage space idea in Room Three. We can use some basement space in south property units for seasonal storage.
Lewis Hall: Does Lewis Hall really need the additional entry? (Verify code requirements; connects better to Sunday School. Wedded Ring comes in off of parking area, and will still be able to do so.) Wedded Ring will be able to use the extra space in Lewis Hall.

OVERALL

Fire Alarm system should be an immediate priority. Check with Shawn. Tuesday, April 19, 2005

Group 4
Betty Wallin
Marilyn Fleming
Sally Porter
Becky Herb
Larry Kutz

Nurse's Office –

The room entered from Boppell is Marilyn's preference, because it is larger and has a window for light and air. The entry through Boppell does not seem to be a problem to her; she could have a screen that could shield visibility to the entry up during her hours of operation if needed. She gets donated equipment (walkers, toilets, etc) and storage is needed.

Kitchen –

Window near west door would help in getting dirty dishes into the kitchen. Remove lockable storage and replace with stainless steel counter. Reverse door swing.

Lower floor –

Storage in classroom 3 needs to be worked out among users. It can be separated off later, if needed. Reduced room size could be problematic during vacation Bible school and MOPS.

Lewis Hall –

Mops doesn't like to use it for infants because the carpet is over concrete.

Front yard –

Desire to better use outdoor space along California.

Upstairs general-

May need air conditioning for offices; new glazing on California (noise).

Videos –

Along hall outside of Howell would be a good location. Replace the display area, and use closets that are available. DVD's are smaller than the videos, which will help space needs over time.