

California Lutheran

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Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2016 - 6:30 p.m.

Gilbert Sports & Fitness Center – Room 253

CLU staff members in attendance:

Valerie Crooks, Senior Project Manager
Erin Ebersole, ACE Fellow
Robin Fielding, Administrative Assistant for University Relations
Lynda Fulford, Associate Vice President for University Relations
David Hilke, Director of Campus Safety
Mark Jacobsen, Director of Facilities Management
Cindy Keitel, Community Relations Coordinator
Chris Kimball, President
Ben McEnroe, Head Football Coach
Clinton Oie, Director of Auxiliaries
Ryan Van Ommeren, Associate Vice President of Facilities

City of Thousand Oaks in attendance:

Haider Alawami, Economic Development Manager

Rams guests in attendance:

Kevin Demoff
Bruce Warwick

Wilson Meany guests in attendance:

Chris Holmquist
Gerard McCallum

16 neighbors in attendance

Meeting Purpose: An open forum to review and resolve neighbor issues related to Cal Lutheran operations and events and to provide updates on campus construction projects. These meetings are hosted by Cal Lutheran and offered as a community service to neighbors who live within 500 feet of the university.

Introductions

Ryan Van Ommeren opened the meeting followed by introductions from each of the University staff in attendance.

1. Campus Updates

- a. Commencement
 - i. Graduate - Friday, May 13 at 10 a.m.
 - ii. Undergraduate – Saturday, May 14 at 10 a.m.
- b. Spring Break - March 19-27
- c. There will not be a Scandinavian Festival this year

2. Cal Lutheran Capital Projects In Progress

- a. Overview of projects shown and explained by Valerie Crooks
- b. LED Video Scoreboard – Rolland Stadium
 - i. Operations:
 - 1. No speakers on new Scoreboard
 - 2. No sound amplification on new Scoreboard
 - 3. No new speakers for Stadium
 - 4. Part of the existing Stadium operations and subject to same rules
 - 5. Stadium rules recap:
 - 6. Lights off by 10 pm Sunday through Thursday
 - 7. Lights off by 11 pm Friday and Saturday
 - 8. Public Address system off after 10 pm
 - ii. Stadium rules recap:
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 - iii. LED Video Scoreboard Status:
 - 1. Construction will start after Commencement in May
 - 2. Ready for Fall 2016 athletics season
 - 3. Also doing an electrical infrastructure upgrade project for a larger substation at the Rolland Stadium to service the new scoreboard and Art Center
 - iv. Diagram and photos shown.
- c. New William Rolland Art Center

- i. Has attractive architecture and glass
 - ii. Riparian Building (modular building) currently located on the site
 - iii. 2-story, 20,320 sf building for the Studio and Fine Arts Department
 - iv. Entitlement (Minor Modification) expected to issue at end of March
 - v. LEED Certified building, targeting silver level
 - vi. Design in progress concurrent with entitlement
 - vii. Status
 - 1. Starting construction at beginning of June 2016
 - 2. Anticipated completion for occupancy fall 2017
 - viii. Renderings and elevations shown.
- d. New Science Building
- i. Consistent with Campus Master Plan
 - ii. South of existing Ahmanson Science Center, in center of south campus
 - iii. Ahmanson is outdated - bldg and ventilation codes for labs, ADA accessibility, have changed
 - iv. Moving all the “wet” uses to new building – chemistry and biology teaching & student-faculty research labs
 - v. Ahmanson will be renovated to house the “dry” sciences (geology, physics, math) and introductory biology
 - vi. 3-story building to minimize building footprint
 - vii. 2nd floor bridge connection to Ahmanson Science Center
 - viii. Fire Department requires removal of 4 to 5 existing planters in Regals Way
 - ix. Expecting to file entitlement (Major Modification) Spring-Summer 2016
 - x. Project Timing
 - 1. Project target timeline:
 - a. Initial design work 2015
 - b. Major Modification 2016
 - c. Construction documents 2016
 - 2. **Work dependent on Fundraising Success:**
 - a. Permitting, demolition, grading 2017

- b. Building construction 2018/2020
 - c. Move In Summer 2020
 - d. Classes start Fall 2020
 - xi. Renderings and 3-D views shown.
- 3. North Campus Partnership Opportunity
 - a. Construction of 2 practice fields and a temporary practice facility north of the Riparian Corridor, potentially for a temporary NFL team facility
 - b. Potential Project Entitlements
 - i. Fields approved in 1998 Master Plan
 - ii. Parking adjusted in 2010 Rolland Stadium approval
 - iii. Building approved fields
 - iv. Adding temporary practice facility
 - c. Potential Project: Recent Precedent
 - i. **Athletic Partnerships**
 - 1. US Olympic Water Polo Team
 - 2. US Team Handball
 - 3. Collegiate baseball summer league
 - 4. LA Lightning basketball
 - ii. **Academic Partnerships**
 - 1. ELS Language Centers
 - 2. Upward Bound
 - d. Potential Project: Context
 - i. NFL Player Roster – 53
 - ii. Cal Lutheran Facilities Staff – 60
 - iii. Early Childhood Center Enrollment – 63
 - e. Potential Project: Details
 - i. 2 – 5 year use by the Rams
 - ii. Practice field
 - iii. No field lighting
 - iv. 200 paved parking spaces
 - v. Limited parking lot lights (lights temporary)
 - vi. Temporary practice facility

- vii. Fenced
- viii. Access from Campus Drive
- f. Potential Project: Usage
 - i. 2 – 5 year use
 - ii. Regular season practices (September – January)
 - iii. Off-season activities (March – July)
 - iv. Limited “trip count” (meals at facility)
 - v. Not open to the public

Neighbor Comments and Questions Regarding Construction on Campus

Q: A neighbor asked what the height of the LED video scoreboard will be.

A: Approximately 35 feet.

Q: A neighbor asked what would happen to the parking spaces and access road during construction.

A: Twenty out of 43 spaces on the south side would be out of commission and used for construction and the access road would not be closed down.

Q: A neighbor asked how parking would be accommodated.

A: By using the overflow parking on the north side of campus.

S: There will be no Junior Olympics this year.

Q: A neighbor asked how far the Science Building will be from Pioneer Ave.

A: It will fit in between the D building and Regals Way. The elevations will be consistent with the other building.

Q: A neighbor voiced concern about what will happen to the memorial bricks during planter removal.

A: The bricks will be saved and moved to another location.

Q: A neighbor asked if the eucalyptus tree grove will be preserved as the Art Building is constructed.

A: Existing trees and riparian corridor will remain the same.

Q: A neighbor asked where the Rams would be residing.

A: They will find their own homes.

Q: What will happen after 5 years?

A: Cal Lutheran will take over the field to free up the old Mt. Clef Stadium for the new Performing Arts building.

Q: A neighbor asked to see the renderings of the construction lines for the Rams facility.

Q: A neighbor asked if Cal Lutheran would be building anything near the future practice facilities.

A: Yes bathrooms and offices for the coaches.

Q: Will there be access to the practice field from Mountclef Blvd.?

A: No, that entrance must remain gated; opened only for emergency evacuations.

Q: A neighbor asked if grading would take place for the practice facility.

A: There will be no dirt hauled off. They will level off the 8-foot slope and reuse dirt for the project.

Q: Will there be permeable paving?

A: No, it is problematic and deteriorates rapidly. Bio swales will be used for drainage treatment.

Q: A neighbor asked if Buth Park will be used for a future parking structure.

A: Buth Park needs engineering studies and may not work for a parking structure.

Q: When would Buth Park possibly be used for a parking structure.

A: Beyond 5 years. There are many other projects that need to be completed first.

Q: A neighbor asked when Cal Lutheran would know if the Rams will practice at the facility.

A: We do not know. An agreement has not been signed yet.

S: A neighbor stated that parking is a safety issue on Mountclef Blvd. during commencement.

A: Let Campus Safety know when there is a parking issue.

Q: A neighbor asked if there was a count of how many additional staff and coaches would be at the facility on a daily basis.

A: 75 (in addition to 53 players and 10 squad members).

Q: A neighbor asked for the location of the Studio Arts Building.

A: A rendering was shown again.

Q: A neighbor asked if there would be a parking issue at the Studio Arts Building.

A: No, there will be fewer vendors visiting and less faculty and staff located in that building than the current use of the modular building.

Q: A neighbor asked where the LED screen would be located.

A: A view of the LED screen location was shown to the neighbor again.

Q: A neighbor asked if there were plans for the old preschool.

A: Not at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.