## Facilities Master Planning Community Meeting September 20, 2016 Southwest High School

## Joe Donovan, Facilitator Nick Kent, Architect

A presentation was given by District administrators and Nick Kent, certified education planner and architect, from Plunkett Raysich Architects (PRA). Questions were asked by participants about ensuring student voice in the process, enrollment data, providing natural lighting in the schools, and information regarding schools District administrators and Board members visited across the state.

Community members were asked to discuss and respond to four questions during the engagement session on notecards. Facilitator Joe Donovan asked participants to share what was discussed at their tables.

- Learning needs to match the District's mission and vision.
- Need flexible open space.
- Need extra outlets, updated technology and the District should consider restructuring boundaries rather than building a new school.
- Concerned regarding building maintenance and District resources will be stretched if a new school were built.
- Concern that there is no equity in schools. Wondered about studies regarding open concept schools.
- Schools need to deal with emotional needs of students, more important than overcrowding.