

Description of Fairview Soccer Bench Project

The purpose of this document is to describe the details of this project.

On February 17, Fairview Middle student Jake Gibbs passed away while running sprints at soccer practice in the FMS gym. This has been very difficult for the FMS family. In the weeks that followed there were discussions about a permanent memorial to Jake. The administration was considering a park type bench somewhere in the front of the school. As the administration and some staff were looking for a spot to put the bench it was mentioned that the soccer boys had mentioned doing a bench for the soccer field. Mr. Bass asked assistant principal Gary Shrader and secretary Jan King to look into this possibility. In addition to working at the school, Ms. King is close friends with the Gibbs family and has an 8th grade son on the FMS team. Mr. Shrader was close with Jake and was asked by the family to speak at his funeral and do the graveside service.

The first benches found were aluminum and too cheap looking, not permanent or a fitting memorial. Other benches were found like those in used in Europe but were over \$13,000 each. The idea was suggested to build something like the soccer benches at Cheek Park. Pictures were taken and Ms. King and Mr. Shrader became determined to build something similar on the Fairview Soccer field. The plan was discussed with the boys on the soccer team and they loved the idea. In addition to being a more fitting memorial, the boys will be able to use these the next 4 years at Fairview High. Both FMS and FHS play their games on the same field and the boys want the logos of both teams on the benches. The boys also expressed interest in helping to build the benches.



Bob Fienstien of Parks and Rec Department was contacted and provided the company that designed and built the benches at Cheek Park. Jeff Corlew of C & I Design was contacted and offered his assistance with the design. The benches at Cheek Park are 30 blocks wide (~45ft) and 15 blocks high with a canvas awning on a metal frame. The benches are built out of Trex. Preliminary plans for the benches at Fairview High are to be 18 blocks wide, 14 blocks high, with tin awning, and Trex benches on a concrete slab.



Mr. Shrader met with FHs athletic director Ricky Jones and maintenance manager Charlie Cook at the soccer field. The project was explained and stepped off. Benches would be built on both the home and visitors sides starting 10 yards from the center line of the soccer field. Parts of the current fence would need to be removed and front of the concrete slab would be in line with the fence so as to not narrow the width of the field. The fence could be moved at an angle to attach to the wall that will be constructed for the benches. The slab on the visitor side will need to contain a concrete pipe and culvert to not interrupt drainage. Mr.Cook and Mr.Jones like the idea and felt it was possible. Mr. Donen and Mr.Bass have also been informed of the project and are supportive. Mr.Cook told Mr.Shrader that he would need to turn in a Building Modification Request form and that a licensed contractor would have to oversee the project and donate their time or the project would have to go to bid. Assistant FMS soccer coach contacted Solomon Builders and they agreed to oversee the project. The owner Ty Osman was contacted by Mr.Shrader and agreed to oversee the project.



There are many people that want to help with this project including but not limited to FMS boys and girls soccer team and parents, FHS boys and girls soccer team and parents, the Fairview Soccer Association, and many community members. Mr.Shrader and Mrs.King feel confident that all the necessary funds, labor, and materials can be raised. They are also willing to oversee and coordinate this project and any necessary fund raisers.

The next step in this project is to get the necessary approvals in order to go forward with fund raising and building these benches.

Update: The project was approved by the school board in May 2010.

C & I Design company designed the benches at Cheek Park pictured above. C & I provided the plans for this project to Ty Osman at Solomon Builders who is going to oversee the project. Ty is going to provide a breakdown of project costs.

Update: Fundraising has begun...we are hosting a futsal tournament and a silent auction and also asking for donations.

Breakdown of costs per bench:

MATERIALS:

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| concrete footing - 4cy | \$280 |
| concrete stem wall - 6cy | \$520 |
| concrete wall forms | \$300 |
| gravel backfill at stem walls - 50 tons | \$900 |
| concrete slab - 3cy | \$210 |
| gravel backfill at slab - 4 tons | \$64 |
| block walls - 385 | \$2,025 |
| # 6 rebar | \$150 |
| wire mesh at slabs - 2 sheets | \$50 |
| 2 x 8 pressure treated parpaet blocking - 60 lf | \$50 |
| 2 x 6 pressure treated lumber at benches - 150 lf | \$150 |
| trex - 350 LF | \$875 |

LABOR:

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| concrete footing | \$200 |
| concrete stem wall | \$350 |
| concrete wall forms | \$100 |
| gravel backfill at stem walls | \$400 |
| concrete slab | \$250 |
| gravel backfill at slab | \$50 |
| block walls | \$1,348 |
| # 6 rebar | \$50 |
| wire mesh at slabs | \$25 |
| 2 x 8 pressure treated parpaet blocking | \$35 |
| 2 x 6 pressure treated lumber at benches | \$75 |
| trex | \$175 |

MISC (includes materials & labor):

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| metal cap flashing | \$325 |
| equipment, tools, excavation and haul off waste | \$750 |
| rework existing chain link fence | \$100 |
| extend existing headwall | \$750 |
| awning | \$2,540 |