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Bond Oversight Committee

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

March 10, 2021 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Attendance

Curtis Bacon, Secretary
Samuel Bogdanove, ASD
Jill Franko, Vice-Chair
Shane Hunter
Kathleen Kane
Chris McKay, HMK
~~David McKay, HMK~~

Steve Mitzel, ASD
Ryan Schnobrich, Chair
Alana Valencia, ASD
Dustin Way
Jim Westrick, ASD School Board
ASD District Staff: Kristi Nelson

Meeting Minutes

- **Call meeting to order:** Ryan Schnobrich called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.
- **Review and approval of previous meeting minutes:** A motion to approve the 1/13/2021 DBOC meeting minutes, as presented, was made by Curt Bacon and seconded by Kathy Kane. The motion was unanimously approved by the committee.
- **Review End of Month (EOM) reports:** presented by Chris McKay
 - **EOM December 2020/EOM January 2021:**
 - **Overview:** Demo took off at the middle school; the two front wings of AMS are gone. Abatement is nearly complete, with continuous 24/7 asbestos monitoring and reports sent to HMK daily. At AHS, core team meetings continued as Gerding Builders joined as CM|GC. Walker Elementary completed the second phase of design. As of January, every project in the District has been launched. Two new contracts were issued. Professional service contracts total just under \$15M, and construction contracts just over \$35M.
 - **AMS/JMOS, December:** Chris shared aerial shots of AMS/JMOS with corresponding plan views, with construction areas highlighted. This project is nearly 90% through demo and abatement. Ryan questioned if materials from demo were being salvaged or reused.

Chris replied that a salvager has come to look at lumber; demo concrete will be used for structural fill, metal will be recycled.

- **AMS/JMOS, January:** With the elevation change of the campus, the high water table creates a challenge with soils, which was expected based on the geotech report. Chris highlighted the sky bridge, which connects the new 6th grade building and the middle gym. Along with the addition of an elevator in the new building, the bridge will grant ADA access to the upper floor of the middle gym. Kathy asked about the cost of maintenance on District elevators. Steve Mitzel responded that regular inspections need to be performed, as well as maintaining communication lines, but most maintenance is preventive and can be supported locally, therefore costs are minimal. Shane Hunter was concerned about the possibility of shenanigans in the sky bridge. Steve responded that the sky bridge is enclosed with glass and is very visible, to help deter such activities. A 3D flyover video of the planned sky bridge is available on the Bond website, Chris will send this video out to the group.
- **Helman Elementary, December:** Early site work continued, West wing building footings and stem wall were poured.
- **Helman Elementary, January:** The GMP was awarded for the full building package. Underground electrical, mechanical and plumbing installation began. To mitigate water concerns, a new drain system will route water around the building. The addition of hydronic lines to the new main concrete pathways will help alleviate maintenance issues with the constant freeze/thaw that happens.
- **AHS, December:** Gerding Builders walked the site and submitted an estimate. The team is currently working on a construction phasing plan to minimize impact to students.
- **AHS, January:** The Humanities Building at the high school received a seismic grant that has very strict requirements for the work to be done. Of main concern are the guard rails around the building that could collapse in a seismic event, causing injury. During the design process, siding options included polycarbonate mesh siding, of which estimates came in nearly 75% lower than metal siding counterparts. This selection has not been finalized, and alternative options are being explored. Kathy stated she has been contacted by many community members about this and how it will alter the look of the front of the school. She has been researching polycarbonate siding and is not convinced it would be the best, and hoped that the core team would be given genuine options and remain open-minded in the selection process. Both Steve and Chris thanked Kathy and commended her investigative efforts. Steve shared that he is aware of the community outcry over this, but he added that he has to stay focused on the priority, which is student safety and security; even at the expense of aesthetics. Ryan interjected that there'll be a lot of feedback on all components of the Bond and how the money is spent, but he would like to see the District stick to the process and listen to the experts. Samuel Bogdanove reiterated that multiple choices have been considered, and there has been strong engagement throughout the process and the hope is to find options that are affordable and aesthetic. Jim Westrick added that we all have a tendency to think of school safety in regards to an active shooter scenario; this is really about seismic safety and the proposed design was developed to keep students safe in a seismic event.
- **Walker Elementary, December:** Design Development phase was completed, and an estimate was put together based on the DD set. The energy model for the school, similar to that of Helman Elementary, will allow for significant savings for the District.

out the District, however they can. Ryan noted that the school District cannot always be the solution to the City's financial needs; we are the same community and it would be appreciated if we could all work together for the benefit of the greater community. Discussion regarding the District and City relationship continued, Jill Franko and Dustin echoed the frustration over the relationship with the City. Ryan and Jill both shared an offer to show support at City meetings if Steve needed. Steve reminded the committee that they are all taxpayers of the community and can attend any City meeting to voice their opinions, and that he would also let them know if the time came to call upon them as committee members.

- Alana notified the group that the annual continuing disclosure report was recently completed on the EMMA website. Kristi Nelson will send this information to the group.

- **Next Meeting:** Next meeting will be Wednesday May 19, at 4:00 pm.

- **Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 pm was made by Jill, and seconded by Dustin. The motion was unanimously approved by the committee.