



INFORMAL MINUTES

A Meeting of the Board of Education's School Improvement Bond Committee came to order at 4:35 pm at the call of Committee Chair Andrew Scott. This meeting was held virtually due to Covid-19 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ppscomms/videos>

There were present:

Committee Members

Andrew Scott - Chair
Scott Bailey
Amy Kohnstamm

Staff and Other Attendees

Kara Bradshaw - Executive Assistant, Board of Education
Julia Brim-Edwards – Board Director
Dr. Russell Brown – Chief of System Performance
Shanice Clarke – Director of Community Engagement, Strategic Partnerships
Marina Creswell – Senior Director, School Modernization
Jonathan Garcia – Chief Engagement Officer
Guadalupe Guerrero - Superintendent
Claire Hertz - Deputy Superintendent of Business and Operations
Dan Jung - Chief Operation Officer
Mary Kane - Legal Council
Dani Ledezma – Senior Advisor, Racial Equity and Social Justice
Eilidh Lowery – Board Director
David Mayne – Communication and Public Affairs, OSM
Rita Moore – Board Director
Rosanne Powell - Senior Board Manager
David Roy – Interim Senior Director, Communications
Amy Ruiz – Strategies360, Bond Communications Advisor
Nathaniel Shue – Incoming Student Representative
Steven Simonson – Project Manager
Stephanie Soden-Back - Chief of Staff
Kevin Spellman – Bond Accountability Committee
Kathleen Stuart – Project Manager
Courtney Westling – Director, Government Relations
Jackson Weinberg – District Student Council Representative
Korrina Wolfe – Area Senior Director, Multiple Pathways to Graduation
Don Wolff – Chief Technology Officer

Pre-meeting

The virtual meeting opened for attendees to arrive at 4:15pm. No deliberation or decisions were made prior to the start of the meeting.

Public Comment

None

Bond Accountability Committee (BAC)

Kevin Spellman provided an overview of the quarterly Bond Accountability Committee (BAC) meeting, noting that they received two written comments regarding the use of funds from Lincoln used for baseball at West Sylvan, and that the district has assured that there would be no Bond funds used for the baseball field at West Sylvan and that they will provide a breakdown. He provided a status summary of the 2012 and 2017 bonds projects. He noted that the 2012 Bond program closed on budget and each opening date was on time, adding that while the 2017 bond program remains in the red the amount it's over has decreased, primarily because of the money gained in the recent sale of the bonds. He shared that there have been no known cases of Covid-19 on current work sites, but that there are schedule issues because of closures, limited work force, product shortages. Mr. Spellman noted that the BAC suggestion is that each new construction project be considered being built fully earthquake reinforced (level 4). There was discussion regarding earthquake reinforcement. Mr. Spellman shared that safety continues to be good, with only one small incident at one of the three construction sites. He shared that the BAC had two lengthy meetings regarding the future bond packages and provided feedback to the district. It was noted that there are potential challenges to the timeline of Madison, and that there will be a presentation at a board meeting July with more information.

Office of School Modernization (OSM) Quarterly Report (5:11 pm)

Marina Cresswell shared that for the 2012 Bond Projects to close out, they have to complete the financial responsibilities and reporting. She shared that they have closed out Franklin, are close to complete on Roosevelt and that Grant is in process. She shared an overview of other smaller 2012 projects that are still in process, which include window rehabilitation at Roosevelt High School, small projects at Grant that are being worked on or in process, and Grant upper field improvements.

She provided an overview of the 2017 bond projects, noting that the sale of bonds which were sold at a premium, that Kellogg is on schedule and budget, that Madison is on schedule but has the potential to be delayed and a backup plan is being created, that Lincoln is on budget and on schedule, that Benson is moving forward on design on schedule, and that they continue to use value engineering to bring the contingency where they want it. She shared that there are a lot of health and safety projects in progress, having taken advantage of schools being closed early. She shared that projects include asbestos abatement, fire alarm upgrades, security updates, water new filtration implementation, and lead paint abatement. She noted that there have been impacts by covid-19, depending on the project and their phase, adding that all of the active contactors have safety implementations.

Health and Safety Progress Report 5:29

Marina Cresswell shared an overview of health and safety projects by category. She shared that the work to get to fire code across the district is on track for completion by December 2020, with fire sprinkler work completed, and has used less funds than expected. She shared that the lead paint program will have completed 87 sites by end of summer, that all schools were tested for radon, with 17 sites that have regular testing, that 13/14 roof and seismic (which is added during roofing) upgrades are complete, that security have worked on 88 projects, and that they will have done work at every school in water quality and have brought all up to min level in lead abatement or better for less money than expected. She added that there would need to be a discussion regarding the remaining funds. She shared that there are working on a website that will include an interactive map that shows work by site.

Bond Planning & Engagement Update 5:44 pm

Courtney Westling shared that there are currently approximately 1300 Bond survey responses and that they are in the field with a poll with results expected for a July 9 work session. Shanice Clarke provided an overview of the Bond Town Hall, noting that there will be more focus group meetings in the next week, and the feedback will be reviewed at the next board work session. Ms. Westling shared that there will time to determine which option at the next full board meeting and that at July 28 meeting the board will vote to refer the chosen option. She added that they are still looking for feedback, which can be sent to schoolbond@pps.net.

Subcommittee Charter

Director Scott shared that the Committee charter has been on the agenda for every week since the committee started and asked for feedback from board members whether they need one at this point. He shared that he would put the agenda item on hold and would like the full board to discuss whether committees should have charters moving forward.

Schedule

Director Scott noted that he is working with staff to complete a schedule for the 2020/21 year and that he'll bring it to the next meeting for approval.

Director Andrew Scott adjourned the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Submitted by:



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