

**PERMANENT SCHOOL FACILITIES BUILDING COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
March 19, 2009**

The Permanent School Facilities Building Committee held a meeting on Thursday, March 19, 2009 in conference Room B in City Hall. Chairman Woods called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

M. Woods, Chairman
Ald. R. Nunno
D. DeFlumeri
T. Creedon
J. Rohrig (BOE),

Also Present

B. Silver, Silver Petrucelli Assoc., A/E
M. Cummings (MPS)
P. Bradbury (MPS)
D. Hourigan, Chairman (BOE)
P. Jorgensen, Silver Petrucelli Assoc., A/E
J. Barile, (MPS)
A. Vitelli (MPS)
F. DiBacco, CT Carpentry
G. Raucci, Bismark Const.
K. Wood, Bismark Const.

Excused: Ald. R. Vitali, J. Quish (BOE)

Consideration of the Minutes of February 12, 2009

Mr. DeFlumeri and Ms. Rohrig made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting.

The following corrections were noted:

Page 1 Status Report- Phase I- Joseph A. Foran High School:

Ald. Nunno and Mr. Creedon made and seconded, “**a motion**” that the project be declared 100% complete as of February 12, 2009.

Page 2 Paragraph 5:

Should have read “**send**” not sent.

Page 4 Line 3 and Line 8:

Should have read “**Presentation Boards**” not Smartboards.

Page 4 Line 14:

Should have read: “**Presentation Boards**” not Smartboards.

The motion carried unanimously “**as corrected**”.

Status Report – Phase II – Jonathan Law High School – Boilers

Chairman Woods noted since this contractor has completed his work there will be no further discussions until the entire Phase II project is accepted as complete.

Status Report – Phase II – Jonathan Law High School – Science Labs

Mr. Jorgenson reviewed the status of the architect's and engineer's punch list that had been previously issued pointing the committee to page 10 of the packet in which the contractor noted which outstanding punch list items had not yet been completed with their approximate schedule for completion. Mr. Jorgenson reported that Mr. Bradbury had spent an extensive amount of time generating the MPS punch list which uncovered significant above and below ceiling deficiencies. A meeting was held earlier this week between Mr. Bradbury, Mr. DiBacco and Mr. Jorgenson to develop a consensus of the scope of the new punch list work that needed to be completed.

Responding to Chairman Woods' questions, P. Jorgenson advised that the bulk of the new punch list items are above ceiling deficiencies

Mr. DiBacco reported on the activity of his crew and subcontractors and in response to questions from the committee indicated the following anticipated punch list schedule:

- Plumbing sub-contractor has completed 6 of the 8 above ceiling areas – complete by 3/25.
- The reordered tack boards – delivered by 4/1 installed by 4/6.
- Re-caulking of windows and science cabinets will begin on 3/21 and complete one week thereafter.
- Fire caulking – starting 3/21 complete by 4/6.
- Floor and Glue cleanup – requires daylight conditions- beginning 3/21 completing a few days afterward.
- Green House Window Operators: reversing arms is likely and based on direction from the architect. Cutting of the backslashes is likely – by 4/6.

Responding to questions from Chairman Woods, F. DiBacco reported that abatement work will begin on 4/10 and the entire assembly will take approximately 3 weeks to install – complete by 4/30. F. DiBacco also advised they are anticipating beginning the acid tank corrective work on 4/13 and that it may be complete by 4/30.

Mr. Jorgenson referred the committee to page 6 for the change order to modify case work at the 8 plumbing chases that had been previously approved by the Committee. He explained that the case work had not been included in the masonry chase work and that it had been completed in order to deliver complete counters for the students.

Ms. Rohrig and Mr. Nunno made and seconded a motion to approve a change order to the CT Carpentry Company contract in the amount of \$2,662.00 for the case work modifications required at new masonry chases.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Silver reported that the architects are holding Change Order #15 and #16 for CT Carpentry as additional backup related to the not to exceed work and the detailed breakdown of the abatement contractor's work is required before it is processed to the State Bureau of School Facilities.

Mr. Jorgenson described the remaining unresolved change order proposals from CT Carpentry. Old ones include the additional roof steel for duct work and additional transite work and first floor abatement. He also directed the building committee to page 11 and a new proposal from CT Carpentry for the acid tank corrective work received two days ago. Mr. Jorgenson advised that this proposal had been rejected by the architect and described the communications related to the improper installation and the contractor's position on this change. Mr. Bradbury urged the committee to resolve this change order proposal in particular, before any work is completed on the acid neutralizing tank due to the excessive value proposed by the contractor.

Chairman Woods asked several questions regarding the impasse on the three change orders and the committee agreed that a Special Meeting to discuss these three change orders should be held prior to April 10th in the interest of resolving them.

Status Report – Phase II – Joseph A. Foran High School – Boilers, Gymnasium Floor

C. Nardone reviewed the status of the boiler punch list and Mr. Wood verified refinishing of the gym floor, correcting the stack height for boiler #3 and delivery of the as-builts to the architect are all that are remaining on their list.

Mr. Vitelli and Mr. Hourigan reported that the cork surround at the outlets are crumbling and are unacceptable. They reported that the cork is not flush with the floor and the workmanship around the outlets is poor and asymmetrical. Mr. Woods said this was the first time he had heard that it was unacceptable and will ask the subcontractor to return to correct the cork work.

Mr. Wood reported that refinishing is anticipated during the April break as previously discussed at the building committee. However, Mr. Vitelli advised that heavy gym use beginning on April 10th through the vacation week will preclude any refinishing work. The committee asked several questions of the school administrators and resolved with the contractor that floor refinishing is preferred in the summer after June 25th. Chairman Woods and Mr. Vitelli will coordinate this schedule with the flooring subcontractor. Mr. Cummings reported that this summer refinishing work will not affect Camp Happiness as it will not be located in Foran High School this summer.

Mr. Silver reported that the new gymnastic inserts had been installed and asked if the equipment could be set up at the inserts to test them now rather than waiting until December of 2009. Mr. Bradbury will arrange for the equipment set up and test.

Ald. Nunno and Mr. Creedon made and seconded a motion to approve the replacement sound system equipment in the amount of \$5,829.60.

Mr. Silver referred the Committee to page 2 and 3 wherein an additional amplifier had been added to better duplicate the sound system found over at Jonathan Law High School.

Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Silver reported that the contractor had accepted the \$20,000.00 change order offered by the Building Committee for the pool hot water heating system at the January meeting. The change order has been signed and is being processed.

Mr. Vitelli distributed a two page analysis of the income losses related to the gym floor delays and problems which had affected volleyball and gymnastic meets. After discussing the details, Mr. Raucci offered to reimburse Foran High School Athletics \$1,506.96 and to reimburse Milford Board of Education \$203.15 for bus expenses.

Status Report – Phase II – Joseph A. Foran High School – Science Labs

Mr. Nardone reported that the contractors punch list corrections are nearly complete and that testing and balancing issues in the science level and auditorium area are being trouble shot by the architect, contractor and Mr. Bradbury.

The change order work for the sump-pit in the elevator cannot be scheduled until the elevator can be out of service for a few days, which is expected during the April vacation. When asked by Chairman Woods, Mr. Nardone reported that 100% completion of the science lab project is expected by the Committee's May meeting. Mr. Nardone directed the attention of the committee to page 4 relative to the credit offered by Paragon Construction Company for the floor cleaning and waxing that was completed by Milford Public Schools custodians.

Ms. Rohrig and Mr. Creedon made and seconded a motion to approve the change order to the Paragon Construction in a credit amount \$3,550.00 to delete the washing and waxing of the VCT floors.

Mr. Nardone explained that the unit price was consistent with that credited at Jonathan Law High School.

Motion carried unanimously.

Status Report – Phase III – Jonathan Law High School

Chairman Woods reported that the Mayor had verbally advised that the funding requests for all three projects (including East Shore Middle School portables and Foran Phase III Addition) were not being forwarded to the Board of Finance, with no indication when funding would be requested. Chairman Woods also pointed out the correspondence from the apparent low contractor W& M Construction Company on page 15, offering to extend their bid price for an additional 60 days (now approximately 6/18/2009). The Building Committee discussed their desire to take advantage of the excellent bidding market as well as low financing rates and Mr. Hourigan advised that he will try to convene a meeting between Board of Education leadership, Aldermanic leadership the Mayor and perhaps Mr. Silver to discuss the potential to move the projects forward.

Status Report – East Shore Middle School – Re-locatable Classrooms

Chairman Woods advised that given the funding delay the active bidding for the project was cancelled. Mr. Silver reported that contractors were aware at the pre-bid meeting that funding might be delayed and therefore questioned why bidding was proceeding at the time. Shortly thereafter, the funding announcements were made and bidding has been cancelled.

Status Report – Phase III - Foran High School

Mr. Silver reported that several meetings have been held with the office of the State Fire Marshal and that a code compliance solution to the stair issue has been resolved and will now will be forwarded to the Bureau of School Facilities for their final checking. If the plan reviewer at the BSF accepts the plans and approves the project to bid, Chairman Woods asked that Mr. Silver determine how long is that bid approval valid without having to resubmit the plans. Mr. Silver will advise at the next meeting.

Consideration of Payment Requisitions

Chairman Wood asked if the only payment requisition was in order and if they would recommend payment.

Mr. Silver responded yes.

Mr. Creedon and Mr. DeFlumeri made and seconded a motion to approve payment of Silver, Petrucelli, and Associates (#31) in the amount of \$1,092.28 for Jonathan Law Phase II – Renovations.

Motioned carried unanimously.

Chairman Woods discussed available dates for the Special Meeting to review CT Carpentry change order proposals. It was agreed that the next meeting would be April 8, 2009.

Ms. Rohrig and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. Motioned carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted

William Silver
Interim Recording Secretary