

**PERMANENT SCHOOL FACILITIES BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 18, 2008**

The Permanent School Facilities Building Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2008 at Jonathan Law High School. Chairman Woods called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

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

Also Present

P. Jorgensen, Silver Petrucelli Assoc., A/E  
C. Nardone, Silver Petrucelli Assoc., A/E  
P. Bradbury (MPS)  
M. Cummings (MPS)  
J. Barile (MPS)  
A. Vitelli (MPS)  
G. Raucci, Bismark Construction  
K. Wood, Bismark Construction  
M. Myers, Fuss & O'Neil  
F. DiBacco, CT Carpentry

Excused: C. Kopazna

After calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Chairman Woods recessed the Committee for a tour of the school. Chairman Woods reconvened the Committee in public session at 7:25 p.m.

**Consideration of the Minutes of August 7, 2008 meeting.**

Mr. DeFlumeri and Ald. Vitali made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2008 meeting.

Mr. Nardone stated p. 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph from the top should read "***Mr. Silver responded all exterior window abatement and the majority of the flooring abatement have been completed***".

Motion carried unanimously as amended.

**Status Report – Phase I – Foran High School**

Mr. Nardone reported this work is about completed and they are working on some punch list items related to finalizing the work.

Mr. Raucci addressed the punch list as well as the stairs and also reported the rails are nearly completed.

Mr. Nardone added they should be able to close this project once the last set of stairwells is complete.

### **Status Report – Phase II – Foran High School (Boiler)**

Mr. Nardone reported the piping is still being completed. He reported the boiler room is 95% complete and that the third domestic boiler just needs to be set up. He deferred to K. Wood for additional comment.

Mr. Wood stated the breeching and penetrations for the roofing would be done shortly and that he hoped to fire up by next week.

Mr. Bradbury asked why this was coming down to the last two weeks. He stated they need to have hot water so his crews could get into the cafeteria, but are unable to do that because of the lack of hot water.

Mr. Wood explained the work with the three boilers and that they are waiting for the breeching work to be completed by next week. Discussion ensued.

Chairman Woods summarized stating the hope is to have hot water by Tuesday. He asked when the project is expected to be 100% with regard to the boilers.

Mr. Wood explained the boiler project includes the gymnasium, including the floor, as well as the natatorium and boilers. He stated the gym floor would not be complete for three weeks, which includes the installation of the bleachers. He explained the process for the installation of the floor.

Mr. Raucci stated he would attempt to get crews in over the weekend.

Mr. Cummings commented if they are looking at three weeks that would bring the actual finish date to September 9, which means they would lose some instructional time. He asked about the pool area.

Mr. Quish asked if there was any way to expedite the work on the floor.

Mr. Raucci responded they have additional crews on site tomorrow and throughout the weekend. He stated because they do not want to jeopardize the warranty work, he cannot put his own employees on this part of the job. He stated the gym floor would be fully usable after September 9, 2008 and reiterated the boiler project includes the boiler as well as the gym floor and natatorium. Discussion ensued.

### **Status Report – Phase II – Foran High School (Science Labs)**

Mr. Nardone reported the roof top units arrived today. He also reported the cabinetry is in place with the tops 75% done and the last gas turret went on this morning. He reported the flooring is complete except the 4<sup>th</sup> floor and that the center elevator looks good and should be ready for inspection. He also reported the yellow wing needs some minor work. He spoke as to the natatorium which work is in conjunction with Bismark's work.

Mr. Quish asked how they are related.

Mr. Nardone explained the work is associated with the heating of the pool. He explained the heat exchange and work on the boiler and the entire boiler project and how it services the natatorium and other sections of the school. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman Woods asked if there is a projection date for a Certificate of Occupancy at Foran.

Mr. Nardone responded he sent a letter to the building department today. He stated there is a final inspection on Friday with the elevator inspection scheduled for August 25, 2008. He went on to explain how they get a certificate of re-occupancy of each section.

Mr. Bradbury commented the elevator is the key.

Chairman Woods asked how that work is coming along.

Mr. Bradbury responded they are in excellent shape with the elevator and that the cab went in today. He reported the movers have been scheduled for the Media Center tomorrow and explained the process for the moving. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman Woods asked if there were any change orders to consider at Foran.

Mr. Nardone referred the Committee to page 2 of the handout and noted the change orders were all for the science lab project.

Chairman Woods asked if they were ready for the Committee to act on the substitute for masonry above ceilings.

Mr. Nardone responded they were still reviewing this regarding the block work. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Nardone addressed the reinstall media center chandeliers in the amount of \$2,656.88. He explained it is three chandeliers and that they were improperly supported in the old ceiling. He also explained the difficulty in the installation of these three chandeliers and referred the Committee to page 7 for the summary.

Chairman Woods asked if it was a fair price.

Mr. Nardone responded yes.

Mr. Creedon and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$2,656.88 for the media center chandeliers at Foran High School.

Mr. Quish questioned the labor costs at \$70.00 noting that is included in the overhead and profit.

Mr. Creedon and Ald. Nunno moved to amend the motion to amend the amount to \$2,437.30. Motion carried unanimously.

On the main motion, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nardone referred the Committee to page 10 of the hand out. He explained the re-lamping of the media center and pool areas and that there was a credit of \$1,319.76. He stated the work had already been done by the Board of Education thereby giving a credit. Brief discussion.

Chairman Woods remarked it was the consensus of the Committee to pass on this until more information is available.

Mr. Nardone spoke as to the change order for the substitute VCT for carpet in the server room in the amount of \$792.00 and that this request had come from the Board of Education. He referred the Committee to page 13 for the justification. He stated essentially the cost represents materials and reiterated it was requested by the Board of Education and that it would also help with static electricity around the computer area.

Mr. Bradbury added it also helps to keep the room clean.

Ald. Nunno and Mr. Creedon made and seconded a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$792.00 for the substitute VCT for carpet in the server room. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Corey referred the Committee to page 15 of the handout regarding the change order for the upgrade wireglass in the sidelights in the amount of \$3,436.40, which is required by code in educational occupancies for impact resistance.

Mr. DeFlumeri and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$3,436.40 for the upgrade wireglass in the sidelights as per code requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Woods asked about the change order for the extended environmental construction administrative fees in the amount of \$8,062.50.

Mr. Myers stated the abatement was longer than anticipated. He explained the amount was based on the unit price to get the job done. He stated at Foran they ran double shifts Monday through Saturday to get the job done. He explained the calculations. He stated there would be another bill forthcoming for the month of July. He explained they stayed on the job although there was a NTE previously approved by this Committee. He explained how that affects their work. He asked how the Committee wants him to calculate the hours and reiterated both jobs do have another bill coming in and also one for August at Law.

Mr. Quish asked the total monitoring of both schools together.

Mr. Myers responded \$56,000 at Foran and \$43,000 at Law, plus the August bill.

Mr. Quish commented essentially they were looking at \$100,000 in monitoring fees. He stated the need to revisit this and make more of an effort to control these costs. He stated it can be done but tonight wouldn't be the time to do it. He stated a lot of money could be saved. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Creedon and Mr. DeFlumeri made and seconded a motion to approve the change order to the Silver Petrucelli contract in the amount of \$8,062.50 for the extended environmental construction administration fees at Foran High School.

Chairman Woods asked Mr. Myers to provide the backup documentation as discussed.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Status Report – Phase II – Jonathan Law High School (Boilers)**

Mr. Jorgensen reported they are working on the controls currently but that he did not have an updated schedule at this time nor did he have confirmation from Al Ridinger the work is complete.

Mr. Bradbury reported the breeching is on site.

Chairman Woods asked if they are able to generate hot water.

Mr. Bradbury responded it is separate at Law and explained.

### **Status Report – Foran High School - Phase II – Science Labs**

Mr. Jorgensen deferred to Mr. DiBacco from CT Carpentry.

Mr. DiBacco reported they have three issues they are dealing with since last week concerning the apoxy with sink and the balance of the window delivery and glaze block. He reported they would be working in the North/West corner Friday and Saturday to get that glaze block done. He also addressed the operating sashes for the entire school. He stated there was a slip up by the factory and as of this afternoon they would be shipping on Friday and they should be able to install as early as Monday or Tuesday. He stated the factory has assured them the balance of the windows would be shipped next Tuesday and explained how they would arrive. He stated he has spoken with Dave at Plymouth and that they are trying to get all the glass installed by next Friday. He also spoke as to the air take handlers and reported he has addressed this with the Chief Building Inspector.

Mr. Jorgensen questioned whether or not it was realistic that the windows would be installed in two days.

Mr. DiBacco reiterated that Plymouth has assured him they have the manpower to do it.

Chairman Woods asked the timetable for the walls, ceiling, etc.

Mr. DiBacco spoke as to the apoxy cabinets and explained they set the flat tops without sinks. He stated White Hawk is sending a 15-20-man crew to get those sinks ready.

Mr. Bradbury asked about the acid neutralizer tank.

Mr. DiBacco responded they would be pouring starting Thursday.

Mr. Bradbury asked when the tank would be complete.

Mr. DiBacco responded he has been told it is a 4-day operation.

Ald. Vitali commented he needed to have a better understanding of why the windows have been delayed at the factory and why they were not ordered at the beginning of the job for an earlier arrival date.

Mr. DiBacco replied there had been a defect at the factory level and that he just found out about it two days ago. Discussion ensued.

Chairman Woods asked about the work above the ceilings.

Mr. DiBacco responded the Fire Marshal was on site today. He stated he is waiting on ductwork on a few areas.

Chairman Woods asked about the floors.

Mr. DiBacco responded they are all done except the base and where the cabinetry is. He stated the floors would be complete for the weekend.

Chairman Woods asked if they would make the deadline.

Mr. DiBacco responded they are on the edge and that it would be very tight.

Mr. Quish asked Mr. DiBacco if it was written down somewhere what he had reported tonight. Mr. Quish also suggested this Committee meet next Monday to make sure these milestones have been reached.

Mr. Cummings added as administrators they need to have a contingency in place and that he has to meet with the administrators of this building prior to the start of school.

Mr. Bradbury stated he would provide a list to Mr. DiBacco and let him know the priority rooms. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Jorgensen stated there were four change orders which they had reviewed and recommend for payment and there being several others they were still reviewing. He explained the change order in the amount of \$9,942.90 for the refeed power panel and stated they believed this to be a valid charge. He provided a lengthy explanation as to a refeed panel.

Mr. Quish asked about the incidentals on page 25.

Mr. DiBacco explained these items refer to the day-to-day job for those individuals on the job, i.e. when they drive their own vehicle to the job site, also tools, etc. He stated basically they are the things the mechanic needs to get the job done everyday.

Mr. Bradbury asked when they worked overtime.

Mr. DiBacco replied it was on a Saturday. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Quish stated the Committee needed to verify whether it was over time and if these incidentals are being covered in overhead.

Mr. Jorgensen questioned whether it was on overtime and also questioned some of the incidentals as being pointed out. He explained when the engineer looked at this he did not see the overtime.

Chairman Woods suggested the Committee pass on this change order until some of these questions could be resolved and they receive the backup.

Mr. Jorgensen explained the change order for the deep concrete floor repairs in the amount of \$2,807.69 for the three separate locations and that the number is fair.

Mr. Creedon and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to approve the change order for the deep concrete floor repairs at Jonathan Law in the amount of \$2,807.69. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jorgensen referred the Committee to page 36 of the handout regarding the infill penetrations at the fire rated walls. He explained it was not part of the scope of the project and that this comes at the request of the Fire Marshal. He stated the change order in the amount of \$2,599.74 represents approximately 20-24 spaces in the East, North and part of the South corridors and that the price is reflective of the work.

Ald. Vitali and Mr. Creedon made and seconded a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$2,599.74 for the infill penetrations as per the request of the Fire Marshal at Jonathan Law High School. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jorgensen explained the change order for the relocation of door 261. He explained the original plan was to move the door about 2 feet, but an existing plumbing vent was exposed so the door needed to be moved to the other side. He explained this change order is for a second cutting of the masonry in the amount of \$2,734.29.

Chairman Woods asked if this is for the cost of cutting the original door and fitting it in and cutting again.

Mr. Jorgensen replied they owned one cut, so this was the second cut.

Chairman Woods asked if this was a fair price and Mr. Jorgensen replied yes.

Mr. DeFlumeri and Mr. Creedon made and seconded a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$2,734.29 for the relocation of door 261 at Jonathan Law High School. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Woods asked about the SMART boards and if the supports for the proposed boards were up and what they were waiting for to finalize these.

Mr. Jorgensen responded the hardware devices have been made. He also reported they should have the numbers shortly from Mr. DiBacco.

Mr. Creedon and Mr. DeFlumeri made and seconded a motion to approve the change order to the Silver Petrucelli contract in the amount of \$3,976 for the extended environmental construction administrative fees at Jonathan Law.

Chairman Woods stated this motion is based on information being provided to the Committee as with the discussions regarding Foran High School.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Status Report - Phase III – Jonathan Law High School/Foran High School**

No report.

**Consideration of Payment Requisitions**

Mr. Jorgensen stated there were three payment requisitions to Silver Petrucelli to be considered all for the Phase II work.

Mr. Creedon and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to approve payment of Silver Petrucelli in the amount of \$69,762.37 for Foran High School Phase II additions/renovations.

Mr. Quish commented he wished to reiterate comments he has made in the past concerning receiving payment requisitions ahead of the meeting. He stated he did not feel the Committee should consider these until they are able to review these ahead of time.

Mr. Creedon stated he would withdraw his motion and Ald. Nunno removed the second.

Chairman Woods stated the Committee would have their next meeting at Jonathan Law High School on **Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.**

Mr. Creedon and Ald. Nunno made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber  
Committee Secretary