

Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict  
Arts Magnet School Committee  
Regular Meeting March 14, 2019

Present: Cheryl Assis, Dr. Michael Dietter, Lori Eschner, John Lodovico, Steve Masotti, Dave Preleski, John Smith, Frank Stawski, and Chris Wilson

Also Present: Jill Browne, Angela Cahill, Tim Callahan, Dr. Kate Carbone, Ed D'Amato, David Heer, Rusty Malik, Dr. Susan Kalt-Moreau, Roger Rousseau, and Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Dietter.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**On a motion by Frank Stawski and seconded by John Lodovico, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 28, 2019.**

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

**4. ARCHITECTS UPDATE**

- Continuing with hazmat testing and forensics – Based on the findings so far, they are recommending removal of all the plaster. An early demo and abatement package should be considered.
- Looking into cost for complete remediation.
- Geotech borings will be done soon.
- Have been in contact with all the utility companies.
- Met with the city and are learning the approval expectations from all departments
- Designing flexible spaces to fit the six pathways
- Reviewed conceptual design/discussion of where MS core classrooms and pathways will be located
- Presented two designs: the biggest difference is where the cafeteria will be located

Feedback on the designs presented:

- Visual arts classrooms should all be located in the same area. While working on projects, it is common to work in more than one classroom or move about the classrooms to get supplies that are required
- Clarification: the designed gym is a regulation size basketball court
- Proper egress is in the design from all major assembly space
- Option A with the glass allows natural light and keeps the cafeteria closer to the theater
- Putting the music rooms in the open space will take consideration for proper acoustics

At the next meeting, QA & M will be prepared with a more detailed conceptual design and is looking to begin schematic design immediately after approval of conceptual design.

#### **5. CONSTRUCTION MANGER UPDATE**

- Hired firm to manage abatement practices while test holes were cut - containment was taken at time of removal - all holes have been patched when cut – still investigating
- Looking into costs for abatement
- Will look into window caulk for hazmat
- Continue to work on schedule

#### **6. PROJECT MANAGER UPDATE**

- Met with the city planner – we do not need a special permit for the magnet school
- Received written confirmation we can phase in high school enrollment over four years
- Scheduled pre-prep meeting on 3/15/19 with OSCGR
- UST assessment will be done to determine where the tank is

#### **7. EXPENDITURE REPORT**

- To date: \$171,502 has been paid out
- Expenditure report is on file at BOE room 24

#### **8. DISCUSSION ON PRESENTATIONS ON PLA/OPEN SHOP**

- No additional questions were provided to present to PLA/Open Shop
- Committee members want a “level playing field” that all contractors will have the ability to bid on the job

- Incorporate verbiage within the contract stating a % of workers must be Bristol residents
- PLA or Open Shop, they make the same wage as determined by the State of CT prevailing wage
- Chairman Dietter is seeking clarification on cost structures for both
- This does not need a vote – not voting allows the bidding to be open to everyone
- If a member wants a PLA, bring the motion to the meeting next month

#### **9. NEW BUSINESS**

- The programming meetings are not open to the public – they are an administrative function.
- Questions should be submitted to the chair and he will distribute to the appropriate parties.

#### **10. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business

#### **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by Chair Dietter.

Respectfully submitted,

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