

Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict  
Arts Magnet School Committee  
Regular Meeting August 27, 2020  
**Via Webex online forum**

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

Also Present: Jeff Anderson, Angela Cahill, Tim Callahan, Dr. Catherine Carbone,  
Ed D'Amato, Mike Lane, Roger Rousseau, and Ryan Scrittorale,  
Frank Tomcak, and Mayor Ellen Zoppo

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chair Dietter.

Review of the meeting Norms:

All participants will actively participate, engage in the work of the meeting, and have equal voice and airtime.

Assume positive intentions by respecting and honoring the diversity of opinions, beliefs, and perspectives.

Cultivate trust by being honest and focusing on ideas, practices, and the work... not people.

Norms will be upheld during all meetings and in all interactions of the formal meetings.

\*\*Frank Stawski will be the norm checker for this meeting

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**On a motion by John Smith and seconded by Chris Wilson, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the special meeting on July 23, 2020.**

### **3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation to discuss at this time.

### **4. PROJECT MANAGER'S UPDATE**

**Tim Callahan presented:**

- A dump truck lost its brakes coming down the Willis Street and rolled over within the construction fence. Cleanup was executed. This was not project related. This did not affect the jobsite or schedule and there were no injuries.

- Getting good bid responses, had the walkthrough and are getting a few RFI's. Anticipating receiving good bid responses and contactors will be sharpening their pencils.
- Looking to move the bid submission date out and putting it into two bid packages. (This will be reviewed by D'Amato Downes.)
- Issue regarding the slabs that have asbestos in them. There are issues with the product that was going to be used on the slabs. Ardex has informed that they will not warranty their product if it is applied over asbestos slab. Looking into providing removal of the slabs and adding new concrete and surface for the product to lay on. The area under containment will have a 10 x 10 area removed and investigated to see the difficulty and cost of removing these slabs. This expense would be reimbursable.
- QA&M will present the clock location options – very nice renderings of the auditorium with the different options.
- Roger Rousseau – The bids have been extended. There are 14 packages. On September 10, the M/E/P, steel and concrete bids will be opened, and the remaining bids will be opened on September 15.
- The low bid for the materials testing was awarded to IMTL. The city has worked with them on numerous occasions.
- The builders risk agent from Great American would like to tour the property to ensure what was stated when we purchase the policy is viable. They are scheduled to tour the property the week of September 2.

## **5. ARCHITECT'S UPDATE**

### **Angela Cahill presented:**

- Shared theater renderings
- Seating count is at 649. Each seat has very different views of the proscenium.
- Reviewed the three options for the clock
  - Leave the speakers in current optimal location as designed
    - 1A – leave clock in place or 1B- move clock to another location
  - Consider the center speakers above the clock
    - This would require a breakthrough in the proscenium arch
  - Hybrid solution
    - Create an opening in the arch for the center speaker cluster and raise/lower it with chain motors
- Opinions from the committee regarding the clock not moving was stated. The three options show the speakers accommodating the clock staying in its place. There was discussion on the importance of sound quality. Angela will ask the acoustician for a rating of sound quality from 1-10 for the three options.

- Are there concerns with altering the space from a historical point?
  - Although QA&M is not working with SHPO, the opinion is if option 2 was presented, it would be off the table because the proscenium arch is historic. Kent McCoy, the historical designer suggested moving the clock because the arch is of much more historical value than the clock itself. The clock was not mentioned in the historical credentials but is very sentimental to the citizens of Bristol.

## 6. CONSTRUCTION MANAGER UPDATE

### Jeff Anderson presented:

- Bids are due – it is too late to include change in the proscenium arch in the current bid specs
  - Establishing an allowance based on preliminary design so when the GMP for phase 2 is brought to the committee it will have an allowance based on the preliminary design
- There has been quite a bit of interest on the job from all trades regarding bids:
  - 7 steel bids
  - 12 sitework bids
  - 6 -7 HVAC bids
    - This can fluctuate on bid day, but the interest is an indication that pricing should be good.
- There have been many scope related questions and we are up to addendum 3 that has postponed bids to 9/10 and 9/15. There will be at least one more addendum.
- Will moving the bid openings out to 9/10 and 9/15 affect the schedule?
  - It does move the schedule out just a few weeks. Originally thought that the GMP for phase 2 would be presented to the committee in late September. The GMP for phase 2 will be presented in October. No extensive delays to the overall project.
- Frank Tomcak reported:  
Abatement is going well
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, boiler room – complete
  - Main tunnels – substantially complete
  - Auditorium is setup for abatement
  - Final cleanup on 1<sup>st</sup> floor, air sampling and removing containment in the next week
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is 75% complete
  - Ground floor abatement is starting early next week
  - Utility shed will be set up for the temporary power
  - Lead abatement on stairwells will begin in 3-4 weeks

- There is approximately 20,000sf of asbestos concrete that is a soft concrete not conventional – soft concrete was placed for nailing wood floor- the value to remove ALL soft concrete is \$246,000.

## **7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

### **Dr. Michael Dietter Presented:**

- Nothing new to report

## **8. EXPENDITURE REPORT**

### **Timothy Callahan Presented**

- The expenditure report is on file in the Facilities Office at the BOE central office
- \$5,075,564 has been spent
- \$899,570 has been received to date from the state
- Applying for the next payment from the state

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

- None at this time

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

- None at this time

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Dietter at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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