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Minutes

Thursday, June 20, 2013

8:30 a.m. (Syracuse Stat room)

Members Present: Superintendent Sharon Contreras, Pat Body, Pat Hogan, Nader Maroun, Van Robinson, Max Ruckdeschel and Steve Swift

Members Absent: Mayor Stephanie Miner, Chuck Merrihew and David Rufus

Van Robinson proposed an amendment to the draft minutes of the May 20, 2013 meeting. Van Robinson motioned to approve the amended minutes. Nader Maroun seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved and amended for the record.

The JSCB Secretary had no items to report.

Sam Tuzza delivered the Report of the Program Manager:

Fowler - Design & Construction Information:

- *Construction Progress Meetings are ongoing on a bi-weekly basis.*
- *Closeout including submission and review of required closeout documentation continues.*
- *Phase I- Building Addition and Renovation, Phase II Summer renovations, Phase III Areas B/D/Locker rooms/ Upper E/Cafeteria:*
 - *Punch list work continues.*
- *Site and Exterior:*
 - *Punch list work continues.*

Institute for Technology Main Project- Design & Construction Information

- *The General Contractor has provided the initial submission of the operations and maintenance manuals and as-built's. Documents are in review with the Architect.*
- *The General Contractor has completed recent change order work to install additional bollards in the west parking lot and the installation of a damaged steel roll up door at the security office.*
- *The General Contractor has 14 punch-list items remaining to complete by the end of the month.*
- *The Electrical, Plumbing, and Technology Contractors have submitted their final documents required for final invoicing which are under review.*



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- *Final invoices from the Plumbing, Electrical & Technology Contractors are targeted for submission during this month's invoice period.*
- *All final NYSERDA documentation has been submitted and received by the NYSERDA Outreach Project Consultant. All related inspections have been completed.*
- *During a heavy rain condition this past month, a water leak occurred in the building which caused water to run down a CMU wall onto a tiled floor. No damage was found as a result of the leak. The leading edge of a sheet rock soffit against the CMU wall, the width of a corridor, was found to contain moisture. To remove the moisture the contractor replaced the entire sheet of overhead drywall consisting of approximately 40 sf. The Source of the leak was investigated and addressed.*

Dr Weeks - Design & Construction Information:

- *Contractor Punch List & Warranty work are mostly complete. The remaining work is being performed after school and is ongoing.*
- *Mechanical contractor has submitted their As-Built Drawings and O&M Manuals which are under review. Balance of contractors are addressing comments for resubmission.*
- *The Mechanical Contractor is scheduling training for the mechanical system next week.*
- *Final commissioning of the Chiller and balance of mechanical equipment has been completed.*
- *The Plumbing Contractor's insurance company, Harleysville Insurance, mobilized a remediation company to address the water infiltration. Casework was removed from walls and walls were opened to accelerate drying affected areas. Work was completed, walls reassembled, and casework reinstalled. Final finishes (e.g., taping, painting) will be completed this summer.*
- *Proposal for elevator has been received and has been revised addressing comments.*

H.W. Smith - Design & Construction Information:

- *Progress Meetings, Pre-Con Meetings, and Coordination Meetings continue. Meetings are held with all prime contractors, the City of Syracuse, the Syracuse City School District, the architect and sub consultants to the architect (as applicable).*
- *Meeting was conducted with the SCSD, Prime contractors, Engineer, and the Program Manager to review and discuss the school District's request to accelerate the completion of the project by September 1, 2013. Due to the unavailability of critical materials and equipment that will not be available earlier than originally planned, the proposed completion date will not be achievable.*
- *Renovation 2nd Floor:*
 - *Ceiling Grid continues in corridors and the Cafeterias*
 - *Ceramic tile continues in bathroom areas*
 - *The GC is prepping the transitions for the Fritz tile installation and preparing for VCT installation within the next two weeks.*

- *The Roofer has completed the roof on and around the new elevator penthouse.*
- *The Auditorium Walls have been painted and the contractor is prepping to start the ceiling. The GC is laying out and prepping to start installing ADA ramps and seating areas*
- *Renovation 1st Floor:*
 - *Sheetrock sanding has commenced on the 1st floor in Areas A&B in preparation of the primer and 1st coat of paint.*
 - *The Library has been completed and turned over by the MEP trades for wall closures; sheet rocking is in progress.*
 - *IT Contractor has mounted their racks in the (2) IDF rooms located in Areas A&B and started cable installations.*
- *Lower Level*
 - *Metal stud wall framing has been completed in Areas A and D.*
 - *Sheetrock has been installed in Area A.*
 - *The electricians continue pulling panel feeders and are approximately 95% complete with panel feeds.*
 - *Final duct and pipe connections at lower level fancoils continue.*
 - *Mechanical Piping to the cooling tower and chiller components continue.*
 - *HVAC copper lines started from the mains out to the addition.*
 - *The Elevator has been delivered and erection has started.*
- *Exterior*
 - *Building addition exterior vapor barrier was completed and split face block and brick installation continues.*
 - *The window installation continues, coordinating their efforts with the brick restoration crew where needed to complete a window.*
 - *The sheet metal contractor has started installing the exterior louver sleeves in preparation for the louvers. The District has finalized color selections and the louvers have been ordered.*
 - *The Brick replacement and repointing work has started.*
 - *National Grid has just installed the new utility pole and transformers; the Electrical Contractor is prepping to run the secondary from the pole to the water pumping station within the next week.*

Financial:

- *Program Budget; currently \$795K available due to maximum authorized borrowed amount (Does not include NYSERDA grants \$378K).*

Lloyd Dickerson delivered the report of the MWBE Compliance Firm (Landon & Rian). The EEO utilization goals are being met and exceeded, with 12.67% minority and 11.33% women utilization rates. Pat Hogan requested a breakdown of city versus non-city residents working on the project.

Carol Hill, Work-Based Learning Coordinator from SUNY EOC reported to the Board the status of the training program. Greg Lancette, president of the Northern New York Building Trades Council, was also present to answer labor

related questions. Carol presented data comparing the Training Program's progress from January 2013 to June 2013. In those six months, the number of:

- active participants increased from 248 to 454,
- inactive participants decreased from 70 to 69,
- women increased from 26 to 35,
- OSHA cards obtained increased from 104 to 187,
- Asbestos licenses increased from 55 to 112,
- Union placements increased from 12 to 13 and
- Non-union placements increased from 59 to 93.

Carol reported that they were able to track down a number of Training Program participants and graduates through social media. Many of these trainees have difficulty passing the math portion of the union entrance exams. The Superintendent suggested employing special education teachers to assist the trainees so they can pass.

Greg explained that the Plumbers and Steamfitters union does not administer an entrance test, rather they interview the applicants. In the pool of suitable applicants, there may be 189 interviews for 15-16 spots for the apprenticeship program.

The Board voted on the following resolutions:

Pat Body motioned to adopt Resolution No. 41-2013 to authorize Gilbane Payment #67 in the amount of \$139,148.92. Steve Swift seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Max Ruckdeschel motioned to adopt Resolution No. 42-2013 to authorize the payment of various contractors (as set forth in Appendix A) for work associated with the Fowler High project. Pat Body seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Steve Swift motioned to adopt Resolution No. 43-2013 to authorize the payment of various contractors (as set forth in Appendix A) for work associated with the ITC project. Van Robinson seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Nader Maroun motioned to adopt Resolution No. 44-2013 to authorize the payment of various contractors (as set forth in Appendix A) for work associated with the Dr. Weeks project. Steve Swift seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Nader Maroun motioned to adopt Resolution No. 45-2013 to authorize the payment of various contractors (as set forth in Appendix A) for work associated with the HW Smith project. Max Ruckdeschel seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Pat Body motioned to adopt Resolution No. 46-2013 to authorize payment #20 to Landon & Rian Enterprises (MWBE compliance) in the amount of \$18,000.00. Steve Swift seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Nader Maroun motioned to adopt Resolution No. 47-2013 to authorize the payment to Annese (Ensemble) for FFE equipment at ITC (Central High) school (previously authorized by Resolution #15-13) as set forth in Appendix A. Steve Swift seconded the motion and it was adopted 6-0.

Nader Maroun motioned to adopt Resolution No. 48-2013 to authorize the purchase of FFE computer related equipment for the HW Smith project as set forth in Appendix "A". Steve Swift seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Steve Swift motioned to adopt Resolution No.49-2013 to authorize the purchase of FFE furniture for the HW Smith project as set forth in Appendix "A". Van Robinson seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0.

Nader Maroun motioned to adjourn the meeting Steve Swift seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.