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Minutes

Thursday, January 14, 2010

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Board Members Present: Mayor Stephanie Miner, Superintendent Dan Lowengard, Calvin Corriders, Dr. Ruben Cowart, Ned Deuel, Pat Hogan, Laurie Menkin, Ken Mokrzycki, Lance Denno, Van Robinson

1. Report of the JSCB attorney: Joe Barry
Attorney Joe Barry distributed the resignation letter of Christine Fix, former JSCB secretary. Mayor Miner called for a vote on the motion to appoint attorney Barry as JSCB Secretary and the motion was agreed upon by all Board members.
2. Acceptance of JSCB meeting minutes of 12/17/09
The acceptance of these minutes will be deferred to the next Board Meeting. Due to transition issues, the minutes are not available at this time.
3. State Aid Intercept update presented by Suzanne Slack. See JSCB Revised State Aid Payment Certificate dated 12/10/09. This document states that the total amount of State Aid Revenues expected to be received during the period from December 1, 2009 through and including March 31, 2010 (the "Collection Period") is \$165,000,000. The Collection Percentage for each month during the Collection Period is 50% in February and 50% in March.
4. Clary and Shea 2010 Projects update presented by Mary Robison.

- The Board of Education approved the 2010 Roof projects for both Clary Middle School and Bellevue Middle School Academy at Shea at their Board Meetings in December 2009.

- The Common Council approved the Bellevue Middle School Academy at Shea 2010 Roof project at their December 21, 2009 meeting, and the Clary Middle School 2010 Roof Project was approved at their January 11, 2010 Common Council meeting.

- The plans and specifications for these two projects will now be forwarded to SED for approval and we will begin to advertise bidding of the two projects within the next couple of weeks.

- The project authorization for these two roof projects was approved by this Board in April 2009. No further authorization is needed from this board for this project.
- We will come back to the Board for approval to execute the two roofing contracts once SED has approved the plans and specifications and we have received the bids and are ready to execute the contracts.
- Plans and specifications for these two projects are available for any Board member who is interested in reviewing them.
- Construction for both of these projects will take place during this summer's school break.

5. Report of the Program Manager (Gilbane) by Sam Tuzza.

-Introduction of the new Program Director, Sam Tuzza

-update on the status of the Master Plan

The Master Plan is at the printer. The Dr. Weeks and Fowler estimates are complete. In early February, the four schools estimates will be done.

-update on the status of the Gilbane financial report

The update on the budget will be presented to the board at the 2/25/10 meeting.

Superintendent Lowengard asked if in the next tranche borrowing if there will be a revised financial plan. Attorney Barry responded that the comptroller can be advised with a letter. Lowengard asked if soft costs will be in the Master Plan. Tuzza confirmed that it will be in the Master Plan which will be at the next board meeting.

Dr. Cowart requested a more detailed Board review of current project status. Attorney Barry and Ken Gifford of Gilbane replied that the planned meeting of February 25, 2010 was intended to cover these issues.

Commissioner Menkin then requested an update on the Blodgett school project. Ken Gifford replied that until definite proof of local fund availability, such as a letter from NYS Division of Budget, Gilbane could not analyze the viability of the project and such a financial review would be needed before any decisions on the Blodgett project could be made. Superintendent Lowengard indicated that he would follow up with the State Division of Budget to clarify grant availability for Blodgett.