

CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 12, 2005

The Construction Advisory Committee was held in the large conference room in the Support Services Annex, 3308 Canal Street, Fort Myers, FL beginning at 3:37 p.m.

PRESENT (MEMBERS*)

Raymond Campbell*
Chris Mills*
Rocio Restrepo*
Deanne Robison*
Karen Rubin*
Art Steidell*
Susan Waite*
Art Castellanos
William G. Moore
Steven K. Teuber
Georgeanna Rose, Recording Secretary

ABSENT

David Collins*
Ophie Franklin*
Nelson Glueck*
Ronald Kent*
Carlo C. Lane*
Howard Wheeler*

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Chris Mills.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Mills asked if there were any public comments and there were none so he closed the public comments.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Mills asked the Committee to review the minutes of August 3, 2005 and September 7, 2005. Mr. Mills then asked for a motion and approval. Mr. Campbell made the motion that the minutes for August 3, 2005 and September 7, 2005 be approved and Ms. Waite seconded the motion, there was no discussion and the motion was approved by all saying "Aye". There were five committee members present for the approval. Ms. Robison came in later to the meeting.

There was mention that the Fire Chief Association has not been represented on the Committee since Mr. Reynolds had retired from the Tice Fire Station. Mr. Teuber asked Ms. Rose to get in touch with Ms. Mangus in the Board Office to find out who she should call to request someone replace Mr. Reynolds on the Committee.

Mr. Mills reported on his report at the Board Briefing Meeting on September 29, 2005. He explained that he went through the Committee's recommendations to date and there were discussions of carpet in classrooms and key policies throughout the District. Mr. Teuber added that the Board is looking at the best way to approach the situation of carpet

versus tile in the classroom. Dr. Browder will be coming back with a report to the Board. Mr. Teuber stated that Epoxy could be a possibility. Mr. Mills explained that the Board did not go over the locks in depth but there is a need for a policy on a key/lock system and we need to put something together. The swipe card system could possibly be put in the new prototypes. Mr. Moore added that key system would cost around \$150.00 compared to \$800.00 for a swipe system per door. There was discussion on having cards on the exterior doors and keys on the interior doors. Ms. Waite asked if there was someone that is working on resolving this situation rather than have it go on even into next year. Mr. Snell stated that he is preparing a study of samples and pricing of carpeting and locks for Dr. Browder for the next workshop. Ms. Waite felt that for us to be successful with these ideas that we have, we need to go forward with them.

CLASSROOM ADDITIONS – DESIGN/BUILD:

Mr. Moore did a brief overview of the process that the District went through to put together the additions. Since property is so scarce, we looked around at the schools that we have in the District that we could add classrooms without damaging the infrastructure. Mr. Moore referred to the Design/Build packet and the first page that shows the schools that will be getting additions, the contractors and architects. The total student stations will be 5,940 along with one elementary school opening in 2006 in the River Hall development. Mr. Moore explained that this will be the most aggressive construction project that the District has gone into. It will be a very complicated endeavor as we work with the schools while they are in session and make sure that all parties are aware of what is expected.

Mr. Teuber asked how the additions on the Cape are going and Mr. Moore replied the City of Cape Coral is being very cooperative. Mr. Moore continued by saying that clearing the PDP on the Skyline Elementary addition may take three months for that process. The portables that are located at these schools will be removed, if needed, and other put on the property to replace them in a different location. The dining areas at Skyline Elementary and Pelican Elementary will be expanded so they can add more lines. Allen Park Elementary will have their cafeteria expanded to provide the kitchen with additional storage space.

Mr. Moore explained that the contractors will be given plans and after we approve the contractors, then they will come back with the pricing.

The plans for each of the additions were placed on the conference table where the Committee could see plans showing what will be done with additions at each school. Some of the questions and comments were as follows:

- Mr. Moore explained the process from here would be on October 21st presentations will take place and on October 24th we are asking the contractors

to come in with their numbers. We would then negotiate their fees. The pre-Katrina estimates added \$600.00 to the prototype and now post-Katrina, we are expecting the costs to be 29% higher. There will be high numbers across the board.

- Mr. Teuber asked about getting plastic and Ms. Waite added that her company could not get it.
- Mr. Snell stated that the plans show only the additions and not the entire school.
- There will be portables used for classrooms if the addition is not completed by the start of school in '06.
- Mr. Mills asked if these additions will have the same type exterior as the school. Mr. Moore stated that the additions will fit right in with the original building. There will be some variations but nothing significant.
- With the inconvenience of construction, etc. at the schools with the additions, will students change schools? The answer was "not likely" but they could if another school had a seat for them.
- There were many more comments and questions during the time the Committee went over the plans and specs for the new additions.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. Teuber had no comments.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Mr. Mills was concerned with the number of members in attendance.
- Mr. Teuber suggested that letters go out. Ms. Rose stated that she would get with Mr. Martin, School Board Attorney, regarding the letters and what they should contain.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Mills called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Ms. Robison and seconded by Mr. Steidell. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

