**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Meeting Date: Monday, October 2, 2017

**Members: Attendance:**

Mr. Ken Darby, Chair Yes

Ms. Annette Johnson Yes

Mr. Bruce Schubert Yes

Ms. Beatrice Reyes-Childress Yes

Mr. Ken Waltz No

Mr. Alberto Tijerina Yes

1. Roll Call
2. Public comments/questions
3. Lead Testing
4. Sustainability Partners Update
5. Monthly Construction Update
   1. High School
   2. Summer Projects
   3. Waldo Middle School
   4. Bleacher Lighting Update
   5. Auditorium Bid Award
   6. Water Treatment Bid Award
6. Radon Testing
7. High School Cameras
8. Status of Grants
9. Staffing
10. Expansion of EHS Sidewalk from Tomcat Lane to State Street
11. New Business
12. Closed session, if needed
13. Adjournment

Public Comment

NONE

Lead Testing

Discussion took place between Committee and Mr. David Kedrowski, Weaver Consultants Group regarding Lead Testing. Lead testing is required in all schools registered as K-5th grade and includes potable sources such as drinking fountains, food prep areas, nurses’ offices, teachers’ lounges and classroom sinks for Pre-K and K areas only. However, there was a concern as to movement of classrooms in the future. Ms. Reyes Childress stated there are approximately 344 sinks at the PreK/Elem. level and approximately 73 food prep sinks. If testing only PreK-K, there would be approximately 100 sinks. Mr. Tijerina suggested the possibility of only testing the lst floor classrooms, since older students occupy the 2nd and 3rd floors. Mr. Schubert stated the District needs to do what is required by legislation. Ms. Johnson does not want to use the hand washing sinks for drinking due to sanitary reasons. It was suggested that signage be put in place on classroom sinks as “hand washing only”.

Mr. Kedrowski informed the Committee his employees have been fingerprinted (awaiting results) and testing is to begin this month. Mr. Schubert asked who would be responsible for communication regarding results. The District is responsible to communicate results within 7 days. Ms. Reyes-Childress stated Mr. Jackson will be working on website updates and sending notices to district families. Attorney Weiler suggested that testing be completed and then a remediation plan set in place once results are received. A determination needs to be made as to the limit that will be followed for mitigation, 2ppb set by IDPH or 15ppb set by EPA. A concern was what to do if the testing results were above the limit. Mr. Kedrowski stated filters could be put on certain fixtures, some fixtures could be turned off or new fixtures can be purchased that have built in filters. Flushing the system each morning is another option. Ms. Johnson asked if some filters are better than others. Mr. Kedrowski informed the Committee there are some that are better, but it may depend on how high the lead levels are.

Mr. Kedrowski informed the Committee that there is controversy regarding the IDPH mitigation level of 2ppb. Some District have opted to mitigate to the 15 ppb level recommended by the EPA.

Attorney Weiler suggested do what is required to test, determine where levels are and put together thoughts on what to do if levels exceed limit.

It was determined that Buildings and Grounds will come up with a plan and email the Committee and Mr. Kedrowski on their recommendation for mitigation.

Sustainability Partners

Attorney Bernie Weiler reported there is a meeting scheduled for Friday, October 6th at 9:00 am at the SSC. He invited the Committee members to attend. Mr. Darby indicated that he would not be able to attend, but would like the meeting to be recorded. Committee agreed to bring back findings to next B&G Committee meeting.

Monthly Construction Update

Mr. Craig Welter presented the monthly construction update.

Mr. Welter presented a slide presentation of construction progress. He informed the Committee the work at the main entry, lobby addition and fine arts wing are continuing, metal work on building edges are being applied and items that need attention are getting addressed. Construction is on schedule with December and opening after holiday break. Mr. Darby inquired regarding water in the long jump pit. Mr. Welter informed him they are working on the problem.

Phase 6 – Corridor connection/existing library and science renovations are expected to be ready for bidding by the end of January, 2018 with Board approval in February/March. Construction is expected to begin in June 2018.

Mr. Welter presented the Science Renovations with an estimated cost of $2,522,325.00. He also indicated that this exceeds the original budget. Ms. Reyes-Childress pointed out that the Administration has not yet viewed the estimate as a whole. This was the first time seeing the numbers. Administration will have to review costs and have a special meeting. Ms. Reyes-Childress will coordinate meeting date and time.

Mr. Welter presented the 5 year plan to the Committee. The architect recommended the Committee having a short meeting at a location to see what the plan would entail.

Mr. Welter also discussed Summer 2017 projects with the Committee and informed them currently the projects are $523,181.00 under budget. Mr. Darby asked if the extra monies are then spent. Mr. Welter indicated that smaller projects that are a priority can be added to future projects.

Auditorium Bid Award - Mr. Welter indicated the bid was higher than expected and will meet with Administration and review the scope and make decision on project.

Boiler Treatment Bid Award – Mr. Welter indicated two bids were received. One bid was late and the other was unresponsive. Due to heating season being so close, the bid will be put back out again in Spring.

Expansion of EHS Sidewalk from Tomcat Lane to State Street – Mr. Tijerina stated the City will pay 50% and the District will pay 50% of the cost. Mr. Welter stated the project has started work today and should be completed by the end of the week.

Mr. Darby informed Committee that the meeting was out of time due to a 6:00 meeting taking place. Mr. Darby asked the remaining items be moved to the November 6, 2017 agenda.

New Business

NONE

The meeting adjourned at 6:00PM.