

Bond Oversight Committee meeting summary
Monday, Sept. 10, 2012
District Office Board Room

Present: Committee members Cheryl Bland, Dan Burkhardt, Mike Centoni, Katy Taylor Chase, Mike Ewald, John May, Ed Miller and Michael Schuermyer. School Board Chair Donn Gardner. Staff Don Grotting, Patt Komar, David Callaway, Dan McCue. Rick Rainone, Cornerstone Management Group.

Following introductions, Co-Chair Mike Ewald said he and Co-Chair Jennifer Anderson would work on a mission statement and bring it back to the committee at a future meeting. A revised member list was distributed. Member Kelly Avery withdrew from the Committee due to conflicting obligations.

Mr. Rainone provided a summary of progress made by the District's Bond Management Team over the past 6 weeks. This includes the selection of architectural firms, meetings with representatives of the Children's Institute, a partner in fundraising for the Earl Boyles Early Learning Center, and meetings with the project team currently working on the pool renovation project.

Mr. Rainone also distributed a list of projects recommended to be completed in 2012-13. The Committee reviewed and discussed the list. By consensus, the Committee approved forwarding the list to the School Board for final approval. The Board will consider it during its meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 13.

Nine projects are recommended for completion during the first year of bond construction. Those projects are:

1. The addition and renovations at Earl Boyles Elementary. This includes beginning design of the Early Childhood Learning Center, re-commission of HVAC system, new DDC controls, repair entry canopy drainage, new siding on west elevation, floor asbestos abatement in cafeteria, corridors and middle wing, gym floor replacement.
2. Begin Pool facility replacement/renovation.
3. Phase 1 of DDHS renovation, including replacement of modular classrooms, new flooring in North Bldg, renovated weight room, and renovation of the Performing Arts Center, including a fire alarm system upgrade, new seating and HVAC system.
4. Renovation of Ventura Park Elementary, including new HVAC and DDC controls, roof and sheet metal replacement, flooring, and gym siding.
5. Renovation of Menlo Park Elementary, including Seismic retrofit and reroof, covered play structure, replace siding and windows, flooring.
6. Renovation of North Powellhurst, including restroom remodel, new HVAC and DDC controls, fire alarm upgrade, flooring, lighting upgrade, exterior door replacement.
7. Renovation of South Powellhurst, including siding repairs and replacement, replace windows, replace District warehouse, flooring, new ADA ramp.

8. New security access systems at various schools.
9. CCTV security camera systems at various schools.

The committee held a general Q&A and discussion. Committee member Dan Burkhardt made a suggestion that future window replacements include smaller, less expensive panes of glass to decrease the expense involved in replacement when windows are broken. Committee member Michael Schuermyer asked that all projects be designed and built with increased ease of access in mind for disabled students, staff and the public.

Concern was expressed about whether enough money had been budgeted for the pool replacement, and whether community partners could be brought in to help offset the cost of the new pool. The District had looked into financial partners, but determined that it would lead to loss of control over pool use.

The Bond Oversight Committee will tour District buildings on Saturday, Sept. 15. The next Bond Oversight Committee meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8.