

BOND UPDATE #49

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Here's what's been going on with our bond projects this week:

1. Dykeman Architects are working hard to wrap up the Schematic Design, which they anticipate will be complete the first week of March. Once we have the Schematic Design plans and specifications, we will roll right into Value Engineering (VE). During the VE process, a team of architects and engineers will review every aspect of the plans to look for opportunities to increase efficiencies, identify unnecessarily high expenditures, and reduce ongoing maintenance/operation costs.
2. Principal Vincent has been working with Dykeman Architects this week to fill in some gaps in CTE in the latest version of the Ed Specs. He will be consulting with his CTE staff to get the needed information.
3. Next week, we will have our first pre-application meeting with officials from the City of Ferndale. We are looking forward to sharing details of the project and developing an ongoing partnership with the City.
4. Based on our site walk last Thursday, Tom from Dykeman Architects was able to send us the marked-up plans for creating secured entries in all of our schools (except FHS, which will have a secure entry built into the new facility). We can now work with our estimator to develop specific project costs for each site.
5. Project Manager Tex Ladish and Assistant Superintendent Mark Deebach have been in Seattle two days this week at the GC/CM (General Contractor/Contract Management) Workshop put on by AGC (Associated General Contractors). This two-day seminar provides a detailed explanation of the GC/CM process. There is an expectation that agencies approved to use the GC/CM project delivery method have foundational knowledge about how the process works, and this class is intended to provide that background.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions or comments.

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