

# BOND UPDATE #102

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This is what's going on with our bond projects:

1. We are continuing to work closely with the City to obtain the necessary permits to begin demolition of the Ferndale High School grandstands this month.
2. Because of the favorable bids we received from subcontractors, we have been able to add the auxiliary gym -- which was previously a bid alternate -- as part of the FHS construction contract. This is excellent news, since it means our new school will have both a main gym and a smaller auxiliary gym that can also hold events.
3. We will be evaluating our ability to include the remaining bid alternates -- a new greenhouse, a new aquaculture lab, and an additional agricultural science facility -- once we have finalized all of the bids and reconciled the budget. If the budget does not allow us to incorporate these facilities into the construction project now, our design allows us to add them easily at a later date.
4. Cornerstone is continuing to prep the FHS campus as a construction site. They are removing a portion of the canopy on the CTE building, installing fencing, and doing some minor clearing. They anticipate moving their office trailer onto the site by the middle of April.
5. A planning team made up of staff, students, and a representative from Cornerstone met this past week to continue planning the Groundbreaking Ceremony that will commemorate the beginning of the construction phase of the new Ferndale High School. The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, April 27, at 4:00 pm. The students have lots of good ideas for making it a very memorable event. We plan to publish an invitation with more details the week after Spring Break.
6. The Central roofing project is underway. This is one of the Critical Maintenance Projects included as part of the 2019 Bond. To minimize project management and overhead costs, the district contracted the Central roofing work through KCDA, a purchasing cooperative for Washington schools.
7. The Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) presented its most recent quarterly report to the School Board at their business meeting this past Tuesday night (March 30). A video of the meeting can be viewed at this link: [Zoom Meetings Information | School Board \(ferndalesd.org\)](#). A print copy of the BOC report can be accessed through this link:  
[https://go.boarddocs.com/wa/ferndale/Board.nsf/files/BZENZU61980A/\\$file/BOC%20Quarterly%20Report%20-%2006%20\(FINAL%20DRAFT\).pdf](https://go.boarddocs.com/wa/ferndale/Board.nsf/files/BZENZU61980A/$file/BOC%20Quarterly%20Report%20-%2006%20(FINAL%20DRAFT).pdf)

We will not be publishing a Bond Update next Friday (April 9), because many of our staff will be on Spring Break. Look for the next edition the following Friday (April 16).

If you have questions or comments about any of the content of this update, please feel free to reach out to me or one of my colleagues.

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