

BOND UPDATE #148

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

1. The Bond Oversight Committee will hold their next meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Mountain View. Some of the topics scheduled for discussion include, communication with the public, an update on the district sponsorship committee, an update on the financial status of the bond projects and the BOC's next quarterly report to the School Board.
2. Work on the FHS campus has continued to progress this week. Some of the highlights are outlined below:
 - a. Crews are now forming concrete foundation walls for the bathrooms and concessions under the Football Field Grandstands. This is a key part of getting ready the Grandstands ready to be assembled.
 - b. The retaining wall foundation next to the long-jump area is now being built. This will complete the construction on the north end of the Grandstand area.
 - c. Wall purlins (horizontal beams) installation and exterior wall insulation are substantially complete around the Athletic Wing. Now, the area is ready to start receiving the final finishes – such as a temporary wall at the west end of the building which will stay in place until the eventual CTE Wing is built next year.
 - d. The skeleton of the Auxiliary Gym is now complete. Crews will start placing the exterior wall insulation and roofing soon.
 - e. Interior framing work on the third floor of the Academic Wing is about 90% complete. Framing is also ongoing in the Athletic Wing, where the walls around the main gym and wrestling/P.E. rooms are now being framed.
 - f. Electrical, plumbing, and ventilation infrastructure installation is substantially complete on the first floor of the Academic Wing, 90% finished on the second floor and 55% finished on the third floor.
 - g. Sheetrock work is ongoing at the west end of the Academic Wing's first floor. Taping and mudding work are following closely behind, making good progress. There's a chance that wall painting will begin next week, and the rooms will start to look finished.
 - h. The weather barrier on the Academic Wing is nearing completion. There are only a few areas left that are still yellow (the color of the exterior sheet rock), and they will soon be orange (the color of the weather barrier).
 - i. Permanent roofing installation is 90% complete over the Academic Wing and the temporary roofing over the commons is finished. It won't be long until the entire main building has all permanent roofing complete!

- j. Masonry work at the Academic Wing is wrapped up for the time being. The masons will return when the Athletic Wing is ready for its final exterior touches.
 - k. Metal siding work is ongoing at the Academic Wing. On Wednesday, crews started installing the wood siding, which accents the metal siding. It looks great!
 - l. Aluminum window frames are still being installed in the Academic Wing. At this point, most openings have frames installed and are ready for glass. The glass installation will start over the next couple of weeks.
3. At the end of this week's update, you will find several photos of the Ferndale High School site. You can also find more photos on the district website at the following link: [Bond 2019 - Ferndale School District \(ferndalesd.org\)](http://ferndalesd.org)
4. In last week's Bond Update, we reported that (1) we had been awarded a grant to put art in our new high school and (2) the grant requires us to form a committee of stakeholders to select what artwork we will purchase and install. This week, we want to share that we have formed our committee and scheduled our first orientation meeting on March 28 with a Project Manager from the Arts in Public Places Program. Members of the committee are as follows:
 - Linda Quinn (Committee Facilitator/Retired Ferndale Superintendent)
 - Ravinder Dhillon (FHS Principal)
 - Steve Menefee (FHS Music Teacher/Art Department Chair)
 - Issac Martin (FHS Art Teacher)
 - Rigel Weis (FHS Art Teacher)
 - Sydney Mewett (FHS student)
 - Diana Castro-Escobar (FHS student)
 - Helena Somers (FHS student)
 - Jamie Plenkovich (Director of Maintenance and Transportation, Ferndale School District)
 - Lexie Tom (Administrator, Lummi Nation School)
 - Faith Ellsworth (Local artist)
 - Kevin Coleman (Community Outreach & Sales Director, Veritas Media)
 - Terry Terry (Community member from Lummi Island)
 - Mark Deebach (Interim Superintendent/ex-officio member)
 - Valerie Peterman (Project Manager, Arts in Public Places Program)

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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