DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

May 18, 2017 Minutes
Board Meeting

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Community Room at the Front Street Building on Thursday, May 18, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. David Weader, President, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader were present.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Cheryl Latorre, Superintendent; Mrs. Janis Venna, Business Manager; Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology; Mr. Chris Johns, High School Principal; Mr. Jeremy Winn, Assistant High School Principal; Mr. Charles Smargiassi, High School Principal; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Jen Gurski, Assistant Principal of Cyber School; and one person from news media.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No Public Comment

I. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to accept or reject the base bid ($8,194,000) for the High School Building Project general construction components with Lobar Incorporated with the understanding that the architect will proceed with the process of value engineering. Accepting the base bid also approves the submission of PlanCon Part “G” and Attachment “C” of Part “F” to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

B. The Board will take action to accept or reject the bid ($1,317,000) for the High School Building Project electrical components with G. R. Noto Electrical Construction Incorporated with the understanding that the architect will proceed with the process of value engineering. Accepting the base bid also approves

the submission of PlanCon Part “G” and Attachment “C” of Part “F” to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

C. The Board will take action to accept or reject the bid ($2,053,700) for the High School Building Project mechanical components with Master Mechanical Corporation with the understanding that the architect will proceed with the process of value engineering. Accepting the base bid also approves the submission of PlanCon Part “G” and Attachment “C” of Part “F” to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

D. The Board will take action to accept or reject the bid ($864,000) for the High School Building Project plumbing components with Myco Mechanical with the understanding that the architect will proceed with the process of value engineering. Accepting the base bid also approves the submission of PlanCon Part “G” and Attachment “C” of Part “F” to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

All base bids total $12,428,700.

E. The Board will take action to accept or reject the alternates as presented. (Enclosure 1)

General Construction:

- Alternate GC-1 - $95,500 – Locker Rooms (totaling $217,400 which includes HC-1, PC-1, and EC-1)
- Alternate GC-2 - $23,600 – Field House (totaling $155,950 which includes GC-2, HC-2 and EC-2)
- Alternate GC-3 - $112,000 – Orchestra Pit (totaling $116,000 Includes EC-3)
- Alternate GC-4 - $63,400 – Luxury Vinyl Tile
- Alternate GC-5 - $90,800 – Fly Loft System
- Alternate GC-6 - $16,000 – Manufactured Wood Case Work

*NOTE: In selecting Alternate GC-1 for Locker Rooms, Alternates HC-1, PC-1, and EC-1 are to be included.
*NOTE: In selecting Alternate GC-2 for Field House, Alternates HC-2 and EC-2 are to be included.
*NOTE: In selecting Alternate GC-3 for Orchestra Pit, Alternate EC-3 is to be included.

HVAC Construction:

- Alternate HC-1 - $37,900 – Locker Room
- Alternate HC-2 - $102,350 – Field House

Plumbing Construction:

- Alternate PC-1 - $54,000 – Locker Rooms

Electrical Construction:

- Alternate EC-1 - $30,000 – Locker Rooms
- Alternate EC-2 - $30,000 – Field House
- Alternate EC-3 - $4,000 – Orchestra Pit

The total cost of the project (base bids and alternates) is $12,444,700.

Mr. Weader began the meeting by describing the process of tonight's meeting and the decisions that will be made this evening. He noted that the Chris Barnett from Crabtree will walk through the potential value engineering items that that his team has worked to develop, and will describe each of the six alternates that the Board will need to consider if it decides to proceed with the base bids; Mrs. Venna and Mr. Weader will also provide the Board with the description of the financial picture related to the project. Dan Cicala, from Fidevia, the construction management company, noted he has reviewed all components of the project and is comfortable with all aspects of the project and process to date.

Mr. Barnett presented the process is regarding the approval of the base bid and alternates. He then explained the PlanCon process and value engineering process. Mr. Barnett restated all options defined on the agenda. Mr. Barnett summarized the process of value engineering and how the cost of the project can be reduced significantly - Mr. Barnett noted that 1.5 – 2 million dollars could be cut from the project through value engineering without altering instructional programs. He noted that the if the Board choose to proceed with the base bids, once the PA Department of Education approves the project paperwork, Crabtree will begin the process of more specifically costing out the potential value engineering items with the contractors. The Board would then be in a position later in the summer to make decisions regarding which value engineering items to select.

Mrs. Venna discussed the District's financial position as it relates to the proposed project. She noted:

- The District set aside $11,365,000 in the Construction Account for the project ($5,665,000 in bonds, $5,700,00 from our Fund Balance). There is $10.7M remaining in Construction Account (due to current payments we've made to date)
- All in cost of project with base bids is $15,445,620. Alternates would increase that amount if approved.
- The gap between Construction Account and Total Cost is $4.7M – this is about $3M more than the gap that was expected at this point, as we discussed last week
- Current Fund Balance is $7.8M

Mrs. Venna also described options to fund the existing funding gap, including borrowing additional funds, drawing funds from the Fund Balance, or a combination of

the two. From a timing perspective, Mrs. Venna pointed out that the funding decision should not be made now – when the fiscal year closes in October/November, the Board will be in a better position to judge which funding option would be most advantageous.

Mr. Brookhart requested that Mr. Barnett, from Crabtree, explore using the company Wood Mode to cost out the additional casework.

Dr. Campbell asked if the science labs would be ready for the start of the 2017-18 school term. Mr. Barnett responded yes.

Mr. Weader reminded the Directors about the value engineering process and timing regarding the same - the Board would be making decisions on the value engineering items at a later meeting if it decides to move forward with the project tonight.

Mr. Barnett then reviewed the alternate list defining what each is, including GC-1 through GC-6.

Mr. Keister asked about the science labs and the timeline. Mr. Barnett explained the science labs are in phase one of the project and we can work with the staff to ensure instruction is not impeded at the start of school.

Motion: (To approve items A, B, C, D under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Dr. Campbell to approve items A, B, C, D. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keister

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No.

Motion: (To approve item GC1 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Keister to approve item GC1. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 0 yes; 9 – No - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve item GC2 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Gill to approve item GC2. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Keister.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 0 yes; 9 – No - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve item GC3 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Keister to approve item GC3. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 0 yes; 9 – No - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve item GC4 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Keister to approve item GC4. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 0 yes; 9 – No - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve item GC5 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Keister to approve item GC5. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 0 yes; 9 – No - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve item GC6 under School Property & Supplies)
A motion was made by Mr. Keister to approve item GC6. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No.

II. PERSONNEL

A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of employment of Ariana Jones, Dylan Steimer, and Jacob Prescott, as substitute teachers, effective May 19, 2017.

Motion: (To approve Item A under Personnel)
A motion was made by Mrs. Gill to approve item A. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keister.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gil, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:24 pm a motion was made by Mrs. Gill and seconded by Mr. Keister to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary