

**ORANGE COUNTY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT**

**Meeting Date:** March 19, 2012

**AGENDA ITEM No.** 12-03-(2)-14

**ACTION ITEM (Y/N)** N

**SUBJECT:** Efland-Cheeks Elementary Renovations Update #2

**INFO. CONTACT:** Dr. George McFarley **PHONE:** 919-732-8126

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Efland Cheeks Elementary School Entrance Modifications
2. Qualified School Construction Bonds Program (QSCB) Application for Authorization
3. Excerpt from September 7, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes

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**PURPOSE:** To provide the Board of Education with an update on the Efland-Cheeks renovation project.

**BACKGROUND:** In September 2010, the Board of Education approved a Qualified School Construction Project request. On October 17, 2011 the board received Update #1 on the Efland-Cheeks renovation project. At this meeting architect J.B. Hawkins of Chapel Hill presented the plans for the renovation and staff was directed to proceed.

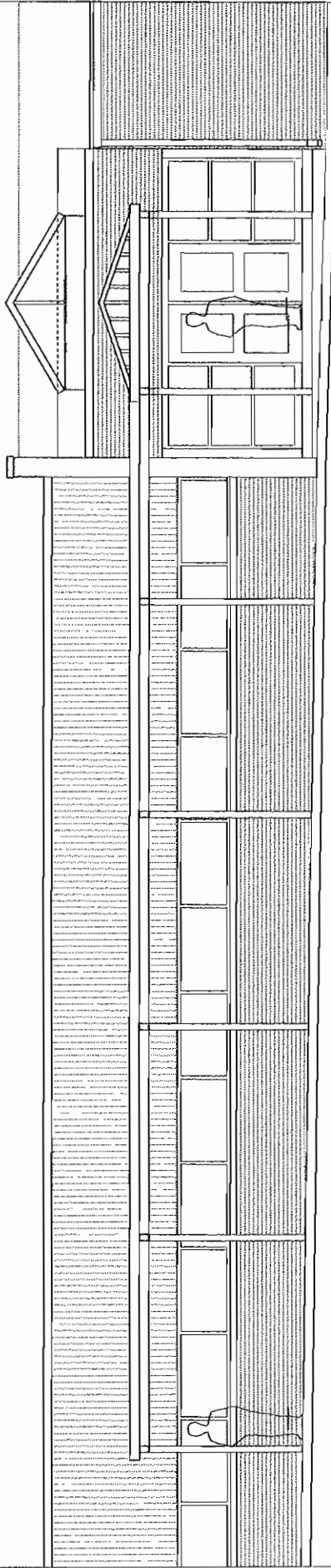
To date, the following major events have occurred:

- Design development drawings for the selected solution, including structural, architectural, and mechanical/electrical design.
- Meetings with the architect and staff to make detailed adjustments to the Scope of Work by remaining at or under budget.
- Site plan has been reviewed by Orange County Planning Office and permits have been issued.
- Sub-contractors have been selected; no single sub-contractor's scope of work exceeds \$50K.
- The project has been staged and work is ready to begin.

The renovation of the entrance way at Efland-Cheeks Elementary School was one of several projects the BOE approved for the use of Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB) on September 7, 2010. All of the other QSCB projects have been completed.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The total amount allotted to this project is \$200K.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education receive an update on the Efland-Cheeks renovation project.



NEW EAST ELEVATION

SCALE 3/16" = 1'-0"



**QUALIFIED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BONDS PROGRAM  
(QSCB)  
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION**

<b>Submittal Date: September 1, 2010</b>	<b>Contact Person: Dr. GeorgeMcFarley</b>
<b>LEA: Orange County Schools</b>	<b>Title: Chief Operating Officer</b>
<b>School: Miscellaneous OCS Schools</b>	<b>Address: 200 E. King Street</b>
<b>Address:</b>	<b>City: Hillsborough</b>
<b>City:</b>	<b>Phone/Fax: 919-732-8126/919-732-8120</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>New</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Renovation/Addition</b>	<b>E-mail: george.mcfarley@orange.k12.nc.us</b>

**Certification of Eligibility**

The Board of Education of the above-named LEA certifies, through a board resolution dated 9-1-10, that the QSCB proceeds will be used as follows:  
*Note: A copy of the resolution must accompany this application.*

1. Construction, rehabilitation, or repair of a public school or for land acquisition for such a facility (not land for a future project).
2. Provision of equipment to be used in the portion of the public school facility to be constructed, rehabilitated, or repaired with QSCB funds (not personal computers or similar technology).

*Note: A copy of the project description, proposed spending plan and project schedule must accompany this application.*

**QSCB'S MUST BE ISSUED BY DECEMBER 31, 2010**

Orange County Schools Board of Education	Orange County Board of Commissioners
Tony McKnight <u>T. McKnight</u> Chair	Valerie Foushee <u>Valerie Foushee (db)</u> Chair
Patrick Rhodes <u>Patrick Rhodes</u> Secretary	Donna Baker <u>Donna Baker</u> Clerk
<u>9-1-10</u> Date	<u>9/3/2010</u> Date

Please return original via certified mail:

QSCB II – Second Round  
 School Planning Section  
 North Carolina Department of Public Instruction  
 6319 Mail Service Center  
 Raleigh NC 27699-6319

Public Schools of North Carolina  
Qualified School Construction Bonds Program (QSCB)  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

LEA: 680 Orange County Schools

School:

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| • C.W. Stanford Middle School (316) roof replacement  | \$1,000,000 |
| • Orange High School (332) roof replacement           | \$500,000   |
| • Central Elementary School (312) roof replacement    | \$100,000   |
| • Central Elementary School (312) breezeway enclosure | \$250,000   |
| • Efland Cheeks Elementary School (324) renovation    | \$200,000   |

Project Description: LISTED ABOVE.

Public Schools of North Carolina  
Qualified School Construction Bonds Program (QSCB)  
PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN AND PROJECT SCHEDULE

LEA: Orange County Schools

Date September 1,2010

LEA Code 680 School Code SEE PREVIOUS PAGE DSP Property Number (if known) \_\_\_

School SEE PREVIOUS PAGE Grades: Elementary K-5; Middle 6-8; High 9-12

Proposed Spending Plan

Administration cost/Bond issue costs (max 2%) \$41,000

Design fees: \$175,000

New construction cost: \$250,000

Renovation cost: \$1,800,000

Land cost NA

Total project cost \$2,266,000

Amount of QSCB authority requested \$2,266,000

Other sources of funding and amounts for overall project NONE

(Note: Funds and reporting are NOT allowed to be comingled)

To comply with the Federal QSCB requirements, we understand that a commitment in the form of contracts for the work for 10% of the funds must be made within 6 months and the remainder must be spent within 3 years after the issue of QSCB bonds. Signed J. Patth Rindley

Provide a written explanation clearly showing the means by which the district intends to repay the bond principal upon maturity.

Proposed Project Schedule

Date of design start: June 21,2010

Date of project start: October 4,2010

Estimated completion date: June 30,2011

**Orange County Board of Education Resolution for the Use of Qualified School  
Construction Bond II Proceeds**

**WHEREAS:**

The Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) Program was established as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), (Public Law 111-5) effective February 17, 2009.

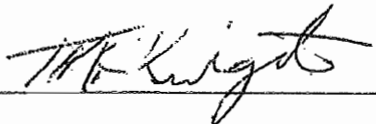
These interest free bonds must be used for the construction (including new construction), rehabilitation, or repair of a public school, or for land acquisition for such a facility. The maximum term of indebtedness, about 12 years under current market conditions which are subject to change, is set by the U.S. Treasury Department so that the local government's obligation to repay the present value terms will be 50 percent of the borrowed amount.

The U.S. Treasury Department has allocated for 2009 the authority to issue QSCBs in North Carolina in the face value amount of \$275,772,000. The ARRA includes a provision that will allow for a second issuance of bonds in 2010. QSCBs must be issued by December 31, 2010 and the proceeds must be spent within three years of issue date.

**BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the Orange County Board of Education, as follows:**

that the QSCB proceeds allocated to Orange County Schools will be used for the construction projects identified in the application at the following Orange County Schools: C.W. Stanford Middle School, Orange High School, Central Elementary School, and Efland-Cheeks Elementary School

In Witness Thereof, I hereto  
Set my hand on this 1<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2010.

  
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Chair, Board of Education

Information was provided to clarify: the structural engineering study cost figure includes determining structural problems and design work; how operating costs and up fit costs were computed.

Board discussion included, but was not limited to: cost for up fit and maintenance of the Whitted Building; use of current central office building or use of other properties owned by the system; other alternatives and available facilities for housing staff; impact of pending student reassignment on central office facility needs; board subcommittee to look at other alternatives for housing staff using school-owned properties or possible lease or lease/purchase; change in financial picture since request for use of the Whitted Building was made some 3 years ago; unknown effect of future budget reductions on number of staff. Board members Donna Coffey, Brenda Stephens, and Anne Medenblik volunteered to serve on a board subcommittee to look at other possible options for housing of district level staff. Stephen Halkiotis and Debbie Piscitelli will serve as alternates.

Brenda Stephens made a motion to accept the superintendent's recommendation to respectfully decline the Board of County Commissioners' offer for use of the Whitted Building by the school system. The motion was seconded by Stephen Halkiotis and unanimously approved.

**10-09-13 Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) – Request for Projects** – Superintendent Rhodes recommended the Board approve the Resolution for the use of Qualified School Construction Bond II Proceeds for the following projects:

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| 1. | C.W. Stanford      | Roof Replacement    | \$1,000,000 |
| 2. | Orange High        | Roof Replacement    | \$500,000   |
| 3. | Central Elementary | Roof Replacement    | \$100,000   |
| 4. | Central Elementary | Breezeway enclosure | \$250,000   |
| 5. | Efland-Cheeks      | Renovations         | \$200,000   |

Anne Medenblik made a motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Brenda Stephens. Board member discussion included: 2010-2020 Capital Investment Plan items; cost of debt service pay; periodic review of the Capital Investment Plan. Following discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

**10-09-14 Legal Update – 2010 Legislative Action** – Attorney Parker reviewed the Legal Update Summary – September 6, 2010 which included a substantial number of new laws, amendments, and requirements for public schools coming out of the 2010 short session of the General Assembly.

**Closed Session** - At 9:55 p.m. Donna Coffey made a motion to adjourn into closed session to discuss personnel in accordance with NCGS 115C-321 and 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded by Brenda Stephens and was unanimously approved. The Board adjourned out of closed session at 10:47 p.m.

Adjournment – At 10:47 p.m., upon motion by Debbie Piscitelli, second by Anne Medenblik and unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned.

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair

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