



**GOODWIN UNIVERSITY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, INC.  
Special Meeting of the School Building Committee  
May 14, 2024 at 12:00 pm  
One Riverside Drive  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room**

**School Building Committee Attendees: Frank Amodio, Bryant Harrell, Eddie Meyer and Todd Andrews**

**Additional Attendees: Mark McGovern, Sandra Ward, Ray Maselek, Andy DiFatta, Robert DeCrescenzo, Mike Goman, Bryant Harrell Jr., Sal Menzo, Tom Romagnoli and Michael Scott**

1. Call to Order at 12:08 by Frank Amodio
2. No public comments were made.
3. Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2024

A motion was made to approve the April 23, 2024 minutes by Todd Andrews, seconded by Bryant Harrell and unanimously approved (Frank Amodio, Todd Andrews, Bryant Harrell, Eddie Meyer).

Report on the Magnet Technical High School (State Project # 542-0008) by Owner's Project Manager, Architect and Construction Manager

Tom Romagnoli of Downes Construction gave an update on the status of the project. Legislation was passed which includes the necessary revised language "new construction" and updated the total project budget to \$85M.

The State is requiring a resubmission of the grant application, with updated dates to the three Resolutions (grant application, Ed specs and schematic design) which were previously approved in November.

Pratt and Whitney provided comments on the Design Development plans. They will be reviewed and addressed.

The design team met with Eversource to discuss potential Energy Efficiency Incentives. There are two potential options moving forward.

Path 3 engages DMI, an independent design engineering firm, for a technical review of the design documents. This path could provide greater incentives.



Path 4 skips the technical review. This path is usually for projects later in the design process and does not provide as many incentives as Path 3.

Based on the State school grant process any incentives received would reduce the amount of the grant. Tom is recommending proceeding with Path 3 so any energy efficient measures can be incorporated into the construction documents.

Tom continued updating on the next steps.

Continuing with weekly team meetings to reconcile the design development budget and the permitting process.

Land use approval and masterplan amendment was submitted to the Town of East Hartford on May 8<sup>th</sup> for June public hearing.

Performing forensic investigations on the existing main switch gear in the Pent Rd. substation. An environmental analysis on water samples was taken on April 22. Results will be shared with Pratt to determine proper handling of water to access the manholes for inspection.

Michael Scott of TSKP gave a brief update on the State Construction office explaining that Grant money is not looked at the same way as utility incentives. He will look into IRA funds that are available.

#### 4. Business Requiring Action

- a. Resolution authorizing Execution of a Contract for Commissioning Services for the Magnet Technical High School (State Project #542-0008)

Tom recommended awarding and entering into a contract with Sustainable Engineering Solutions, LLC, for Commissioning Agent Services for the Technical Magnet High School project in the amount of \$85,300.

Five firms responded to the RFQ and proposals for Commissioning Agent Services for the Technical Magnet High School project on March 14, 2024.

A motion was made by Bryant Harrell to authorize the execution of a Contract for Commissioning Services for the Magnet Technical High School (State Project #542-0008). Todd Andrews seconded the motion and was approved unanimously (Frank Amodio, Todd Andrews, Bryant Harrell, Eddie Meyer)

#### 5. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn at 12:34pm by Frank Amodio, seconded by Bryant Harrell and unanimously approved (Frank Amodio, Todd Andrews, Bryant Harrell, Eddie Meyer).