

The District Five Board of Trustees met Monday, July 18, 2022 at the District Five Administrative Offices at 100 N. Danzler Road, Duncan, SC at 8:00 a.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Jeff Boland
Mr. Mark Cleveland
Mr. Scott Clement
Mrs. Meredith Gergley
Dr. Millie Malone
Mrs. Sherri Taunton
Mr. Derek Watchorn

1. **Call to Order and Notice to Media:** Mr. Jeff Boland, Chairman, called the meeting to order and read the Notice to Media:

Spartanburg County School District Five has complied with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act in notification of the media and other interested parties and organizations and posting of the agenda.

2. **Consent Agenda**

- a) **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved as presented.

3. **Action Items:**

- a) **Consideration of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Reidville Elementary School Early Package:** Dr. Greg Wood introduced Mr. Ryan Cloonan, with McMillan, Pazdan, Smith and Mr. Hootie Solesbee, with Harper Construction to present the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Reidville Elementary School early package. Dr.

Wood also recognized Mr. David Wise with Harper and Mr. Michael Chewning with McMillan Pazdan Smith.

Mr. Cloonan provided details for the Reidville Elementary School site plan, which includes approximately 23,890 square feet of new construction area, new kindergarten courtyard playground, new dry cooler for HVAC, and modified fire truck access lane. Mr. Cloonan also previewed the floor plan, which outlined the four new kindergarten classrooms, six new first and second grade classrooms, six new third through fifth grade classrooms and group toilets, Reidville Road traffic signal, and modular demobilization.

Mr. Solesbee then presented the Guaranteed Maximum Prices for the project as follows: Early Release Site Work: \$303,563; Traffic Signal: \$154,890; and Building: \$5,881,138, for a total Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$6,339,591 for the Early Release Package.

Dr. Wood reported that it was the recommendation of the administration that the board approve the early site package for Reidville Elementary School for \$6,339,591.

A motion was made by Mrs. Meredith Gergley to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price for Reidville Elementary School Early Material Release Package, not to exceed \$6,339,591. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mark Cleveland.

Chairman Boland opened the floor for questions. Questions were asked pertaining to the bid process; what work would still be left outstanding; capacity after the addition; sub quotes for competitive bids; time line schedules; traffic signal cost; and the geothermal system.

Chairman Boland then asked for a vote on the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 7-0.

- b) Consideration of Guaranteed Maximum Price for Byrnes High School Phase II Construction:** Dr. Wood reported that Mr. Cloonan, and Mr. Joe Kinsey, with McKnight Construction, would present information on the Guaranteed Maximum Price for Phase II Construction at Byrnes High School.

Mr. Cloonan provided details on the overall site plan including the new construction additions. He provided details on the lower 1000 level and phase 2 of the 1100 level, to include construction of a three-story building with 26 classrooms, 11 science labs, IT storage and repair, administration suite, nurse clinic, media technology lab, and media center with retaining walls, exterior stairs and ramps, and loading dock.

Mr. Kinsey then presented the Guaranteed Maximum Price for Phase 2 building at \$38,379,877 with a contingency of \$2,075,000, for a total of \$40,454,877.

Dr. Wood stated that the administration recommends that the board approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Byrnes High School Phase II Construction for \$40,454,877.

Mrs. Meredith Gergley made a motion to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price for Byrnes High School Phase II Construction, not to exceed \$40,454,877. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Sherri Taunton.

Chairman Boland opened the floor for questions. Board members asked questions pertaining to: timeline for phase 2 construction, capacity once phase 3 is completed, the 5% contingency cost, and any concerns so far with construction.

Following questions, Chairman Boland asked for a vote on the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 7-0.

- c) Consideration of Estimated Costs for Abner Creek Middle School Addition:** Dr. Wood informed the board that administration has been working on attendance boundaries with the construction of the new schools. The population has grown tremendously in the Abner Creek area, and they feel the need to expand the capacity of the new Abner Creek Middle School to accommodate that growth.

Mr. Solesbee, with Harper Construction, presented the floor plan with six additional classrooms, for an approximate increase of 4,860 square feet. The estimated cost of this addition is \$2,100,000.

Dr. Wood reported that the administration recommends the approval of the estimated costs for the Abner Creek Middle School addition for the amount of \$2,100,000.

Mrs. Meredith Gergley made a motion to approve the estimated costs for the Abner Creek Middle School addition in the amount of \$2,100,000 as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Millie Malone.

Chairman Boland opened the floor for questions. Questions were raised pertaining to the attendance lines for the district; maximum ability to add onto the school; future projections of growth and careful consideration to how district money is spent; capacity at the high schools enough for the additional capacity from the increase in lower grades; and HVAC/electrical concerns.

Dr. Gary explained that what was being presented today was only an estimated cost, not an actual Guaranteed Maximum Price, due to the short time line and the need to get materials ordered. The Guaranteed Maximum Price will be presented at a later date, but all firms involved are not anticipating a major increase.

Chairman Boland asked for a vote on the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 7-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Meredith Gergley at 8:45 AM to move into Executive Session for the discussion of Employment matters in reference to New Hires, Promotions, and Resignations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mark Cleveland and approved unanimously 7-0.

4. Executive Session

- a) **Discussion of Employment Matters in Reference to New Hires, Promotions, and Resignations:**

5. Return to Public Session:

A motion was made by Mrs. Meredith Gergley to leave Executive Session and return to Open Session at 9:18 am. The motion was seconded by Mr. Derek Watchorn and approved unanimously 7-0.

- a) **Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session:** A motion was made by Mrs. Meredith Gergley, seconded by Mr. Scott Clement, and approved unanimously (7-0) to accept the recommendation of the administration and offer contracts to the employees as presented in executive session.

There being no further business, Mrs. Meredith Gergley made a motion to adjourn from the board meeting at 9:18 am. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mark Cleveland and approved unanimously 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Meredith Gergley
Secretary

Submitted by: Mrs. April Peel