

Minutes 2012 Bond Project Advisory Team (PAT) Meeting Mandarin Chinese Language Immersion Magnet School

MEETING #: 32

LOCATION: Mandarin Chinese Language Immersion Magnet School- Student Dining Area

DATE / TIME: October 20, 2015 @ 3:30 PM

ATTENDEES: (those marked with a check were present)					
✓	Chaolin Chang	Principal	✓	Dane Roberts	Asst. Principal
✓	Patricia Butler	Teacher	✓	Sara Butler	HISD Comm.
√	Jeffrey Medley	Satterfield & Pontikes	✓	Ginny Liang	Magnet Coord.
✓	Bill Hutz	TIRZ No. One	✓	Angie Chen	Parent
√	Jennifer Gribble	St. George Place ES PTO	√	John Ernst	St. George Place ES PTO
√	Jorge Tiscareno	PBK	√	Sizwe Lewis	HISD Const.
√	Albert Wong	HISD PM	√	Michael Liu	Teacher
√	Sam Savage	PBK	√	Brian Peterworth	S&P Construction
√	Carlos Ramirez	HISD SSO	√	Drew Houlihan	HISD CAO

PURPOSE: Provide a brief construction activities update on the MCLIMS Project jobsite and present considerations for interior and exterior building graphics.

AGENDA:

 Provide update of current and future construction activities on the MCLIMS Project site and present considerations for building graphics.

DISCUSSION:

- 1. Albert Wong began the meeting with the introduction of the MCLIMS Construction Manager at Risk, Satterfield & Pontikes' new Project Manager, Jeff Medley, who provided updates on some of the construction activities to the PAT.
- 2. Mr. Medley began by mentioning their major construction activity milestones for the MCLIMS Project. The structural steel erection was approximately 98% complete, with the elevated floor decking due to start installation next week. By mid-December, they hope that the new building will be "topped out" and "dried in", which means that inclement weather will be less likely to impact the overall construction



schedule. Obtaining permanent power has been a challenge to schedule, so the CMAR will depend on portable generators for temporary power to the subcontractors for a short period of time.

- 3. According to Mr. Medley, the current MCLIMS Project Schedule has the Substantial Completion timeline tracking towards a June 2016 turnover to HISD for the purpose of scheduling equipment and furniture installation. Principal Chang mentioned that their school administration will need at least two weeks for staff development before school begins in the new location. They will also need time to coordinate the moving of their school's existing equipment into the new facility.
- 4. Mr. Medley presented a series of different images that showed various construction activities that are currently taking place on the site. These photos included aerial views of the construction site, various views of the steel framing for the elevated floors/roof decking and the detention/playing field area.
- 5. If the weather is accommodating and the walking track installation proceeds smoothly, the St. George detention/playing field area may be released back to the school at some time in late November/early December 2015. With some discussion about the progress of the new walking track around this detention/playing field, Jennifer Gribble, St. George Place ES PTO President, asked about the common use of this new walking track facility. Would there be a sole use or shared usage of this walking track between the two schools? Principal Chaolin Chang responded that, based upon an understanding with Principal David Wheat, the MCLIMS students would be separated from the St. George Place ES students and would not be accessing this area during regular school hours. It would only be available during after-school hours. Mr. Wong also mentioned that the previously shown MCLIMS walking track was removed from the Project's scope of work, due to construction cost limitations.
- 6. Mr. Wong asked Sam Savage, PBK Architects, about preparing a LEED presentation for a future MCLIMS PAT Meeting and he responded that he would make preparations for this task.
- 7. Mr. Savage and Jorge Tiscareno began their MCLIMS building graphics presentation handing out copies of the presentation and by stating that there was a \$35,000 budget allowance for these proposed building graphics. Their presentation was intended to show where various applications could be considered on the building exterior and interior but these would be subject to the limitations of the available budget. Mr. Tiscareno inquired if the name of the school might change in the future, due to previous comments about this possibility, but there was no confirmation from the Principal or PAT. The estimated fabrication cost of the formed letters for the school name was about \$45 for each letter. These 3D letters would be installed on top of the front walkway canopy roof and on the "Red Banner" painted on the face of the building, near the front entrance area.
- 8. The interior wall graphic images on the Learning Commons' three story wall area would be applied to the acoustical fabric panel material. Mr. Tiscareno asked if the PAT preferred the more traditional versus modern images on these walls. The PAT replied that the traditional sayings had more significance to the teachers than it did to the students but no real decision seemed to be made in this regard. Mr. Tiscareno also showed some other locations around the school, including corridors, extended learning areas, the Dining Commons and the Gymnasium. These graphics were made from vinyl fabric material that would be applied to wall surfaces.
- 9. It was also mentioned that these building graphics and associated costs were different from the room identification and wayfinding signage applications allowance. The room names and numbering system will be in both Mandarin and English, along with Braille.
- 10. Mr. Savage requested that a Graphics Charrette is scheduled with the MCLIMS Principal and select PAT members to review and discuss these graphics in greater detail. Mr. Wong will schedule this work session with HISD Facilities Design in the near future.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

1. No additional questions were asked by the PAT.



ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Schedule a Graphics Design Charrette with PBK, MCLIMS and HISD Facilities Design. Albert Wong to coordinate.
- 2. Prepare for next MCLIMS PAT Meeting.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE NEXT PAT MEETING:

1. Provide construction activities and timeline updates.

NEXT PAT MEETING: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 @ 4:00 pm, in Mandarin Chinese LIMS Library

Please review the meeting minutes and submit any changes or corrections to the author. After five (5) calendar days, the minutes will be assumed to be accurate.

Sincerely,

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