

July 18, 2013 Meeting Minutes

MEETING
OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S
SPLOST OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Sam Moss Center, 1780 Montreal Rd Tucker GA, 30084

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Chair, Mr. Baisier called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Present at the meeting were: Paul Baisier, Herman Lorenz, Cathy Blakeney, Narwana el-Shabazz; Chris Avers, Billy Jones, Delilah Wynn-Brown, Kimberly Mitchell, Charlie Rogers, Wyvern Budram and Kerry Williams. Not present: Kirk Nooks

DCSD staff also present: John Jambro, Joshua Williams, John Wright, Jessica Leterle.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve Agenda by the Chair, Members approved.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

May and June minutes were approved unanimously.

MONTHLY STATUS REPORT REVIEW

The new color coding feature in the MSR was explained; A/E change of process in regards to SPLOST III ADA upgrades was discussed and how it affects scheduling and scope (must make *entire* design compliant, “cherry picking” parts of a facility are no longer allowed); SPLOST III HVAC/Ceiling Projects re-phasing and rescheduling (extensions) due to longer than specified durations for the tasks and a few bid issues – these projects were all in design; Current Major Projects – ES Prototype and Demolition; Major project timeline 2013-19 presented.

PREVIOUS MSR QUESTIONS

Explanation was given of how the term “funds” will now be used to include all money as pertains to “tax receipts,” “DOE reimbursements” and “bond receipts.” This will ease reporting, but more specific information will be available for those that would like to drill down into the details; Chamblee Funding is broken into two accounts 1) SPLOST III (predesign, design, preconstruction, construction, FF&E, etc.) and 2) QSCB funding (land); Indian Creek Budget/Financing Issues were addressed. Budget shortfall will likely go away once bids come in from General Contractors.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROTOTYPE UPDATE

Input from the affected communities, educators and DOE standards was used to create design standards; Ms. Wynn-Brown asked if there was an incorporation of green space in the design. It was explained that a change in design to reduce footprint in order to fit the plan to the existing properties increased available green space and were more tailored to properties. Ms. Avers asked if special needs (students) were incorporated in the prototype. Mr. Wright indicated that they were. Ms. Blakeney asked if this prototype just for the 7 properties. Mr. Jambro answered that it is being designed for these sites, but if it can be applied to other sites where it can be used as a template it will be in the future. Mr. Baisier asked if there was any concern for multi-story buildings for an elementary school. Mr.

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Jambro stated that it is not possible to have 900 students are on a single floor (which is capacity the design is meant for). Plus you would lose play area, parking, etc. by only having a single story. The SPLOST IV webpage has Prototype updates to follow for Prototype Committee community meetings and find background documents. Further questions from Members can be funneled through the Chair to be answered by DCSD staff. Mr. Rogers asked what the construction start dates for the prototype. Mr. Wright informed him that in the MSR if you go to the specific projects it will indicate schedule and any changes. Mr. Lorenz asked if the schematics were going to change based on which site the school will be built on. Mr. Jambro responded that they would not, every site will be the same, which is due to that the prototype has been designed based on the existing topography; Ms. El-Shabazz asked how security and cameras at the schools will be handled. Mr. Jambro informed her that cameras have been taken into consideration and are planned for. Mr. Lorenz followed up by asking if the other entry points will be secured. Mr. Jambro answered that only the vestibules will be secured, but all other doors will be locked during the day.

CONTRACT AWARD LIST UPDATE (through July 2013)

See attachment.

UPDATE ON LOCATION OF SPLOST FUNDS

A request has been made to find out where funds are currently located with Dr. Michael Bell, Interim DCSD CFO. To date this request has not been satisfied.

REPLACEMENT FOR KIRK NOOKS

Another candidate will be selected from previous pool of candidates, as was the case in finding Gene Wise's replacement, Mr. Lorenz. Sidenote – Members need to update and replace DCSD badges, as they expired in June.

UPDATE ON EFFORTS TO EXPAND ONLINE CAPACITY OF DOCUMENTS

No change to date.

DISCUSSION OF AUSTIN ES

Mr. Jambro stated that to date there are no plans to move the Austin site. It is up to the Board whether the school will move. DCSD is currently proceeding as though the new facility will be built on that site. From the environmental assessment, there are some risks that have been identified.

PROPOSED REVISION OF DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Chair suggested there is a need to push back the regular meetings by a week to allow Committee Members time to digest information presented in MSR. Motion to push meetings to the third week of the month and adjust times to 6:00 – 8:00p. Members unanimously approve.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

Chair moved to adjourn at 7:57p.m. Members consented and the meeting adjourned

