

DATE: May 8, 2023

MEMO TO: Wilton Barrios, Rapides Parish School Board
Roy Rachal, Rapides Parish School Board
Danny Dotherow, Rapides Parish School Board
Susan Dewees, Principal, Tioga Jr. High School
Alan Lacombe, Principal, Tioga High School

FROM: Jim Weinzettle, ABW Architects
Mike Nichols, ABW Architects
Kris Linzay, ABW Architects

PROJECT: Tioga Jr. High School Program Review
Rapides Parish School District
Ward 10 Bond Election - 2023
Architect Project Number: 2022.36

RE: Project Status – Meeting Minutes

1. A meeting was held on Wednesday, May 3rd with the following in attendance: Wilton Barrios, Roy Rachal, Danny Dotherow, Principal Susan Dewees (TJH), Assistant Principal Michelle Landry (TJH), Principal Alan Lacombe (THS), Jim Weinzettle, Mike Nichols, and Kris Linzay.
2. Jim Weinzettle (JW) opens meeting by asking Wilton Barrios (WB) and Principal Dewees (SD) to set the agenda for the meeting.
3. SD informs the Design Team that the Multi-Purpose Building needs to be located at the original site near the existing gym on the Southeast corner
4. SD reviews the items that she would like to see included in the new MP Building
 - a. An unofficial “Girls Gym” with regulation basketball court; addition remains “Multi-Purpose”
 - Would like to have option to have multiple basketball games going at the same time- girls team currently has to wait to play until boys game ends to use court
 - b. Bleachers on one side of new basketball court
 - c. Space for archery practice and tournaments
 - d. New restrooms
 - e. One (1) small office for coaching staff
5. JW and Kris Linzay (KL) explained the cost increase that would be incurred by changing the size of the Multi-Purpose Building to accommodate a regulation basketball court- cost would increase from \$1.89 million to around \$2.59 million (\$700k difference)
6. WB says that there can’t be drastic changes in scope due to the contractual nature of the bond
 - a. Advises that the budget for the MP Building should remain at \$1.89 million for now
 - b. It was agreed to schedule the project later in the construction process to allow the use of any remaining contingency funds to build larger Multi-Purpose Building
 - c. Agrees with SD on location of Multi-Purpose Building
7. There is a low spot due to natural spring issues at the proposed MP site per WB
8. There is a sump pump and well under the Boys Gym per Roy Rachal
9. Design Team will engage Ken Gorsha to provide a geotech report for the Multi-Purpose site to identify any underground water sources that may impact construction
10. Danny Dotherow (DD) asks about existing bus storage, and SD explains that current location is difficult to maneuver into/out of now

11. Consensus agreement to schedule Multi-Purpose Building project towards the end of process, then evaluate potential contingency funds that can be added in order to construct the larger building
12. Bond money will not be available until the end of August 2023, per RR
13. Open discussion about weight room access at existing fieldhouse
 - a. TJH will have exclusive access for seven (7) out of nine (9) months, share with high school track and soccer athletes for the other two (2) months
 - b. Scheduled use of existing weight room to be coordinated between SD and Principal Lacombe (AL)
14. SD highlights need for expansion of existing TJH weight room, needs space for sixteen (16) racks
15. WB notes that reserve and maintenance funds could be used to cover any expansion of the existing TJH weight room
16. SD mentions that a fence has been installed for golf cart storage, but still need some way to secure it. Design Team will adjust the budget accordingly
17. Design Team will be responsible for providing project updates to RR and WB prior to regularly scheduled monthly meetings
18. Design Team will coordinate the scheduling of upcoming meetings with RR and Amy McCartney (AM). WB will send RR his list of recommended invitees and AM will send out meeting invitations.

END OF MINUTES