

ESPLOST COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting Date: August 8, 2023 8:30 am in Room 136, BOE HQ, 595 Prince Avenue.

Attendees: Alex Sams Andrew Malec Rick Parker Mike Waldrip
Tad MacMillan Leara Rhodes Mark Evans Niki Jones
Garrick Askew John Gilbreath Troy Basset Gerald Arscott

Staff Reports: Copies of the following were distributed prior to the meeting:

- July, 2023 Meeting Summary
- August, 2023 ESPLOST Monthly Report
- August, 2023 ESPLOST Contingency/Change Order Report
- August, 2023 ESPLOST Construction Schedule
- June, 2023 ESPLOST 5 Financials
- June, 2023 ESPLOST 5 Budget Projections
- June, 2023 ESPLOST 6 Financials
- June, 2023 ESPLOST 6 Budget Projections

Welcome: Alex Sams welcomed Ana-Maria Neal to the meeting as a new member.

West Broad Campus: The process of reviewing possible uses is continuing. The one group that expressed an interest has not followed up.

Old Gaines - Roof: All the dirt has been removed. Materials for the framing are being delivered today. AC units for the corridor will be re-installed this week. Completion is anticipated by the end of the month. The new roof will be tapered insulation and a 60 mil TPO roof. The dirt will not be replaced.

Clarke Central HS Roof: The East Wing roof structure is U-shaped and two of the three sides are finished. It is anticipated that the roof work will be finished in two weeks and the masonry work in one month.

BOE HQ: ACC has approved the re-zoning and platting for the Hill Street and Prince Avenue properties. 595 Prince Avenue has been placed with a realtor. The Hill Street property is under contract.

Clarke Middle School: The temporary classrooms are operational and the 6, 7 & 8th grades have moved in. The feedback is good. Construction work is proceeding well. Steel work should be completed by the end of the month and work on erecting roof trusses can then commence. It is planned to have the building dried in by the end of September.

School C/Easom: Student numbers continue to be monitored for any trends that may indicate a future need to go ahead with either of these. Student numbers will be next updated in October.

Cedar Shoals Fieldhouse: Testing and balancing of the HVAC system has been completed. The installation of radio boosters to the 800 MHz radio system is outstanding.

Cedar Shoals School Renovation: This project is a routine 20 year “make-over” with additional requirements being incorporated. This will include replacement HVAC equipment, LED lighting, expansion of the cafeteria (including some external space) and ROTC building and tennis courts. Proposals for the CM at Risk contractor will be considered by the BOE this week. This is required now so that the successful contractor can be involved in the phasing decisions for the project and begin to plan for materials that are still subject to supply chain delays. There are some critical phasing requirements concerning summer, 2024. A January 1, 2024 start is planned. It is anticipated that bids will be sought in mid-October and the GMP reported to the BOE in December. The next LBC meeting, which will primarily be about the final plans and finishes, is planned for September.

HT Edwards Culinary Kitchen: One of the HVAC rooftop units is delayed until the end of September so there is a delay in the kitchen being available. Classrooms are not affected and classes have commenced with approximately 40 students.

Facilities Review: Work is being done on nine elementary school gymnasium floors. The Timothy Road playground is being updated, to include ADA equipment. Funding for this work is from the general fund.

Transportation & Technology: The 12 propane powered buses have been delivered. It is planned to apply for a grant for EV buses. There was nothing to report concerning technology.

COC Membership: Alex Sams encouraged members to seek out candidates to join the Committee. It was pointed out that the COC needed to make efforts to ensure that it is representative of the wider school district.

Sales Tax Revenue: The May collection was \$2.94m.

Future Meetings

Future meetings are scheduled for:

September 12, 2023

October 10, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 am.