

El Paso Independent School District
Minutes of Board Construction Committee Meeting
September 28, 2004
4:00 p.m.
Education Center-Boeing

Present: Mr. Sal Mena, Jr., Board President, Board Construction Committee Chairperson
Ms. Lisa Colquitt-Muñoz, Board Member¹
Mr. Carlos Cordova, Board Secretary
Mr. David Dodge, Board Member

Administration: Mr. Charles Tafoya, Superintendent
Mr. Hector Martinez, Associate Superintendent, Operations
Mr. Nick Corona, Executive Director, Facilities, Maintenance and Construction
Mr. Luis Villalobos, Executive Director, Accountability and Administrative Relations
Mr. Al Anderson, Director, Planning, Engineering and Construction
Dr. William Wachtel, Senior Researcher, Finance

Guests: Dr. Charles Roark, Board Member
Dr. Lorraine O'Donnell, Board Vice President²
Mr. Joe Gomez, Associated General Contractors (AGC)
Mr. Ramy Martinez, Chair, Bond Accountability Committee

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Mr. Mena.

The topics discussed were as follows:

1A. Revision to Scope of Construction at Morehead Middle School

- a. Mr. Hector Martinez reviewed changes to the scope of work, which will be in lieu of a modular campus, as follows:
 - (1) Build a 10-to-12-classroom addition.
 - (2) Build a new library.
 - (3) Convert existing library area to classroom space.

Mr. Martinez advised that the Bond Accountability Committee concurred with the requested changes.

- b. Mr. Ramy Martinez provided information on the development and approval of the procedure to follow with regard to changes to bond projects. He advised that the Bond Committee voted unanimously to support the changes in the scope of work at Morehead as presented by the administration.

Dr. Roark voiced his opposition to the changes proposed for Morehead Middle School.

¹ Ms. Colquitt-Muñoz arrived at 4:17 p.m.

² Dr. O'Donnell arrived at 4:14 p.m.

1B. Building Addition Project #4 – Franklin Field House, #01.394

- a. Mr. Hector Martinez stated that the project changes had been presented to the Bond Accountability Committee, including the scope of the original project. He advised that the Bond Committee had concurred by a majority vote with the proposed changes to the project.

There was discussion on the addition of locker rooms to the scope of work in order to comply with Title IX requirements to provide lockers for girls' athletics.

- b. Mr. Ramy Martinez stated that there was a majority vote by the Bond Committee to support these changes and use of the contingency fund. He stated that the Bond Committee also recommends developing a priority list of projects due to concerns about increases to construction costs and the depletion of the contingency fund.

Speaker to this item:

1. Mr. Lloyd Hamilton, Lloyd Hamilton, LLC, spoke about his construction experience and indicated that his firm could handle this construction project.

1C. EPISD Apprenticeship Program

1. Trade List Review

Administration identified 130 occupations and requested the Committee's consideration to reduce the number to 17 - 20 principal occupations.

2. Contract Requirements

Administration requested limiting the apprenticeship program to construction contracts over \$100,000.00.

1D. Prevailing Wage Rate Survey

Administration reviewed prevailing hourly wage rates and recommended that current rates remain, with no re-survey conducted.

1E. 2003 Bond Program Contingency Soft Costs

It was the consensus of the Committee to postpone this item to a future meeting.

1F. Possible Discussion of Other Construction-Related Issues

Discussed the increased costs for materials and labor for construction projects and how the District will recoup funding and make adjustments to accommodate the increases.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned 5:05 p.m.

Date Approved: October 26, 2004