



BEX Oversight Committee

May 12, 2017, 8:30 -10:30 am
 Conference Room 2750, John Stanford Center
 2445 3rd Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98134

Minutes:

1. Call to order: Chair John Palewicz called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.
 - Guests introduced themselves.
 - The agenda was approved without change.

Committee Attendees:	Present	Absent	Staff	Present	Absent
Fong, Freeman	X		Bath, Chris	X	
Goldblatt, Steve	X		Becker, Eric	X	
Williams, Daniel		X	Best, Richard	X	
Griffin, Duncan	X		Coan, Melissa	X	
Palewicz, John	X		Herndon, Flip		X
Prentke, Richard	X		Kennedy, Mike		X
Schwartz, Ed	X		Kokx, Sherri	X	
Stephenson, Robert	X		Mardock, Allen	X	
Tatge, Steve		X	McBee, Mike		X
			Moore, Steve	X	
Board Attendees:			Morello, Lucy		X
Rick Burke		X	Skutack, Mike		X
Jill Geary	X		Wang, Tingyu		X

2. Approval of Minutes (John Palewicz)
 - The advisory committee unanimously approved the April 14, 2017 minutes.
3. Budget Update (Melissa Coan)
 - The *BEX IV Program Cost Summary –April 2017 (Activity through March 31, 2017)* was reviewed.
 - Mr. Best stated they are working to cut off expenditures for the new open schools that opened Fall of 2016 by August 31, 2017. It is believed that one year after occupation is a good time to finalize capital expenditures on occupied projects as auditors begin to question whether the expenses are annual operating expenses. He did note that this determination would be a culture shift

for Seattle Public Schools as building principals desire to further “tweak” their facility, furniture, emergency supplies and various incidentals.

- Closing out the financial side is always a challenge. The small pockets of money can be saved to address a major roof leak or other needs.
- John Palewicz state that one-year seems like a long time; the district could consider closing it by the end of the calendar year after school has opened.
- Richard Prentke mentioned that by putting it off, it gives more opportunity for leans against projects.
- In the report, Ms. Coan stated that the newest items are placed at the bottom of the list so that recent developments are easy to find.
- Mr. Best reviewed the BEX IV Program Budget Consideration document.

4. Project Status Reports/Board Item Reviews (Richard Best)

- Project pictures, renderings and data are available on the BEX IV website: [BEX IV Reports](#)
- Updates on the status of Cascadia, Robert Eagle Staff, Loyal Heights, Meany Middle School and Olympic Hills were presented.
- Richard reviewed the BEX IV monthly status report.
 - Richard Best stated that the GC/CM methodology used on the four projects has resulted in quality construction work and that the overall cost of ownership of the facility will be reduced because of the quality installations.
 - John Palewicz noted that being able to select the companies and people to perform the work is very advantageous, revises incentives and assists in keeping the project on schedule.
 - Mr. Best added that the job site safety aspects are significantly enhanced as sites are substantially cleaner and safety measures proactively implemented reducing the risk for construction workers who are performing the work.
 - Steve Goldblatt recommended a more conservative use of the red font in the document.
 - Eighteen portables are being relocated to provide additional classrooms and one is being demolished.

5. Bagley Elementary School Addition:

- The Bagley Elementary schematic designed was presented to the oversight committee.
- Comments engendered by the discussion:
 - Appreciation was expressed regarding the sustainability effort being included in the building expansion with the note that it is a big challenge when the existing building is orientated north-south.
 - Trees will be moved away from the building so they will continue to provide shade. But not so close as to compromise the aesthetic appearance of the building. The original planting of the trees are being retained.
 - The design team will explore revising the design to consider a three- story plan to help increase playground space.

6. Meeting Re-cap and Next Meeting Agenda Items (John Palewicz)

- June –Tour Olympic Hills
- July – Construction Cost Update
- Current construction climate for June? Curt Robinson.
- September – BEX V.

7. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 10:36 am.