



## KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*The community of KISD will educate our students to achieve their highest standards of performance engaging them in exceptional opportunities.*

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### **Via Zoom Citizens Bond Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, December 7, 2020 – 7:00 pm**

**Present: Amanda Burruel, Amber McMillan, Cherie Moeller, Clinton Mehta, Felix Mira, Harold Johnson, Hudson Huff, Joe Griffin, Julie Nors, Kyle Campbell, Lloyd Condon, Lourdes Vigoren, Nicole Cobb, Paul Hughey, Rachel Epperson, Scott Wrehe, Shellie Johnson, Vaughn Hamblen**

1. Paul Hughey welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for attending. He then reviewed the agenda and gave a brief background of the Bond package which was approved in 2019.
2. Paul shared the program schedule and highlighted key dates. All information discussed is detailed in the attached presentation.
3. Paul went over the financial metrics which are as of December 1<sup>st</sup>. All projects have encumbrances, and these figures are reconciled to the penny with our Finance team.
4. Next part of the presentation are projects in construction
  - Heritage Elementary School and Florence Elementary School – Paul highlighted information in the presentation. We are on track to finish in time for the next school year, in July 2021. Everything is on schedule and the metrics look good. He then turned it over to Rachel Epperson, Construction Administrator at VLK Architects to provide a detailed construction update. Rachel stated that the photos of the campus construction were taken right before Thanksgiving, so she updated everything that has taken place since the picture was taken.
  - MEP Projects and Life Safety System Upgrades – Paul stated some of the Winter/Summer break projects may be delayed due to COVID supply issues. Some equipment items are taking upwards of 12-14 weeks to receive.
  - Campus Security Vestibule Project - Discussed information on presentation. All 23 campuses are in construction and scheduled to be completed the first week of January 2021. The second phase of design for the remaining schools will start in January to line construction up for summer 2021.

- Improvements to High School Auditoriums – This project is going very well although due to COVID 19 there have been significant delays to the rigging portion of the project. The completion date could move to February 2021. We will be meeting with the vendor next Monday to evaluate schedule impacts. There was a recent meeting and demo on the stage lighting. The Fine Arts team will be conducting lighting assessments at all four campuses to determine needs. Hudson stated that the new technology is incredible, and everyone will be very pleased with the upgrades.
- Security Infrastructure Projects and Device Purchases - Paul stated that there have been no new updates to this project since the last reporting. There will be updates for the January meeting.
- Technology Infrastructure Projects and Device Purchases – Paul stated our Technology group has been very busy purchasing and setting up students and teachers with devices. Joe Griffin stated that they are working with Cisco to resolve some wireless issues.

#### 5. Projects in Design

- The Parkview Elementary School and Whitley Road Elementary School designs are near completion and we will be submitting for permits in the next week and a half. VLK is working on getting permitting documents for portables at Parkview to prepare for phase 1 demolition of part of current building. Whitley Road will not have portables.
- Fossil Hill Middle School Fine Arts Addition – Paul stated that the design should be completed by the end of January and we are targeting a March Board approval so that construction can commence in April.
- Indoor Extra-Curricular Program Facility at all four high schools, Keller, Fossil Ridge, Central, and Timber Creek. All facilities will look the same but will have the school colors. Paul indicated that Geotech work is progressing at each site. Paul explained that Geotech work is the process of evaluating the soil conditions by drilling core samples that are analyzed to inform design and structural requirements for the facilities on the various campus locations.
- Crisis Counseling Suites – Paul indicated that a kickoff meeting was held on November 18<sup>th</sup> and a second meeting was conducted earlier in the day to review site concepts for each campus. Paul indicated that schematic designs that are more developed will be brought to the committee in the January/February timeframe for review and feedback. A committee member asked if the sites would have a secure vestibule. Paul stated that the suites will have security and will have details forthcoming. A committee member asked about signage, what are we calling these and how are we going to direct traffic to the locations if they are in the rear of the school? Hudson stated we have not had that dialog yet; we will have further discussions and ask for suggestions.

#### 6. Projects in Planning - Industrial Trades and Agriscience Center

- We are evaluating and need to resolve site-related issues regarding code and use requirements with the City of Fort Worth. Storm shelter requirements and traffic ingress and egress requirements have forced the District to look at other site alternatives. Because the trades program is being interpreted as requiring a storm shelter, we are evaluating renovating and

adding space to the existing KCAL campus. A committee member asked if we feel we have adequately considered the parking issues, etc. Hudson stated this is all part of the discussion. The District is working on a phased long term parking plan at KCAL that would add upwards of 500 additional parking stalls. We have just started the due diligence process and will be working with District leadership to identify the alternative to move forward with. Hudson stated after meeting with the City, we are trying to figure out how much we can do with our budget that will best suit our students. This has been a challenge we are trying to work through.

- KMS Fine Arts Addition - Kickoff meeting this month – may have to re-evaluate the timeline.
- 7. KCAL STEM Event – This was a very exciting event. The students had great presentations. We plan to take students on a field trip to FES and HES so they can tour and see the progress.
- 8. Questions –
  - Will the Keller Middle School Fine Arts Addition project include other renovations such as locker rooms, etc.? Paul stated that there will be extensive system upgrades renewals including locker room renovations as part of this project.
  - Will new buildings have all new furniture? Paul stated we will do an audit with campus and district administrators to determine what items we have purchased recently that are still in good shape and can be used to determine what will need to be purchased.
  - A committee member asked regarding City of Fort Worth vs. City of Keller requirements. Paul stated that we will continue to work with the different jurisdictions and their unique requirements and have been building relationships to assist in our success. Committee members expressed interest in helping in any way with the discussions.
  - A committee member asked if the signage in the Parkview and Whitley Rd projects depicted in the renderings is to scale and in fact planned to be that large. Lloyd Condon of VLK stated that the signs on the drawings are just a representation and will not be that large as we must adhere to city codes.
  - A committee member asked if we plan on having animals at the Agriscience facility? Paul indicated that we would have animals there and in fact we already have animals at another location for student learning opportunities.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05.