

**Canton School Building Committee Meeting
Galvin Middle School Library
May 1, 2024
Minutes**

1. Call to Order: Superintendent Folan convened the Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Canton School Building Committee at 5:07 pm.

Attendees:

Bob Benedetti
David Buccelli
John Connolly
Charlie Doody
Derek Folan
Mary Graziano
Bob McCarthy
Kristian Merenda
Randy Scollins (departed at 6:05 pm)
Sarah Shannon
Public/Press

Absent:

Jonathan Mulhern

Guests:

Jennifer Carlson, LeftField
Alyssa Shitani, LeftField
Jonathan Quell, Ai3
Troy Randall, Ai3
Justin Thibeault, Ai3
Bill O'Rourke, Consigli Construction
Kristy Lyons, Consigli Construction
Jeremiah Driscoll, Consigli Construction

2. Project Approvals: Jen Carlson, LeftField Project Manager, confirmed the evening's agenda, then reviewed and requested votes of approval for project meeting minutes and professional invoices.

a. VOTE to approve March 20, 2024, SBC Meeting Minutes: Mr. Folan asked for a motion to enter into discussion and possible approval of the Wednesday, March 20, 2024, minutes. Mr. McCarthy made the motion; Ms. Graziano seconded. Hearing no requests for discussion of proposed minutes, Mr. Folan then called for a vote to approve the minutes. Ensuing roll call vote was recorded as 7-0-1

Bob Benedetti	yea
John Connolly	abstained
Charlie Doody	yea
Derek Folan	yea
Mary Graziano	yea
Stephen Marshall	yea
Bob McCarthy	yea
Randy Scollins	yea

7 yeas 0 nays 1 abstention

b. VOTE to approve LeftField and Ai3 Invoices: Ms. Carlson reviewed invoices from LeftField for \$17,300 and Ai3 for \$70,000, totalling \$87,300 for professional services. Mr. Scollins noted that these invoices are within contractual agreements, and professional fees are as expected. Hearing no requests for discussion on these invoices, Mr. Folan asked for a motion to approve LeftField and Ai3 invoices as written and presented. Mr. Benedetti made the motion; Mr. Connolly seconded. Ensuing roll call vote was recorded as 8-0:

Bob Benedetti	yea
John Connolly	yea
Charlie Doody	yea
Derek Folan	yea
Mary Graziano	yea
Stephen Marshall	yea
Bob McCarthy	yea
Randy Scollins	yea

8 yeas 0 nays

3. Construction Manager Introduction: Mr. Folan described the selection process of the Construction Manager at Risk including technical and price proposal submissions and review of six firms, followed by interviews with the SBC subcommittee. Subcommittee members ultimately voted unanimously in favor of Consigli Construction as the final candidate.

Hearing no questions or requests for further discussion of the final candidate, Mr. Folan asked for a motion to approve the Construction Manager contract for Schematic Design Preconstruction Services in the amount of \$44,608 to Consigli Construction. Mr. Scollins made the motion; Mr. Connolly seconded. Roll call vote was unanimous and recorded as follows:

Bob Benedetti	yea
John Connolly	yea
Charlie Doody	yea

Derek Folan	yea
Mary Graziano	yea
Stephen Marshall	yea
Bob McCarthy	yea
Randy Scollins	yea

8 yeas 0 nays

Members of Consigli Construction were introduced. Grateful to Mr. Bill O'Rourke appreciated the SBC for their confidence in Consigli, welcoming the opportunity to introduce his team and their philosophy, and give a brief history of their previous projects. The team provided an animated proposal of the logistics, site updates, and construction flow and process for GMS. They addressed traffic congestion, site and operational safety, sequence of construction, general school safety including overhead protection for staging students and buses, and maintenance of open field access for the community. There was a short discussion over some geothermal possibilities for this building.

The Canton community will have the ability to review progress via a project website. This site will announce updates, promote safety awareness, publish plans for working around key Canton events, and appropriate notification of work site updates for abutting neighbors. This site will be available in early summer and may be found on the SBC website. The animated proposal will be available on this website as well.

4. Budget Overview: Ms. Carlson reviewed the CM at Risk process and funding mechanisms of the Feasibility phase, noting that fees for the CM-at Risk are non-negotiable. She indicated that with committee approval of the Consigli team and their budget for Schematic Design, 99% of the budget is committed with \$11, 632 remaining uncommitted. Ms. Carlson believes the project budget is in a sound fiscal position for the remainder of the Schematic Design phase.

5. MSBA Update: Schematic Design submissions are due June 27, 2024.

6. Schedule Overview: Mr. Thibeault (Ai3) highlighted the Schematic Design scope, process, budget, and timeline. He reported that estimating documents have been released, and confirmed that all staff programming and stakeholder meetings have been completed. Mr. Thibault expects to meet with the 5th grade teachers to gain insight into their perspective of student transition. Leading up to the expected June 2024 submissions to MSBA, Ai3, in coordination with Consigli Construction, will continue to refine and develop documents for the chosen design, 9E, with expectations of debriefing the SBC at the June meeting. DESE and MSBA submissions are due on June 27, 2024.

7. Design Update: Jonathan Quell (Ai3) presented two perspectives of the GMS building, eye level from the front of the building and an aerial perspective (a birds-eye view). Introducing elements of design and scaling of the building, Mr. Quell discussed incorporating use of

materials (textured fiber cement panels, glass), adjacency of differing materials, warm and cool color tones, shade and shadow, to successfully design a human scaled building. By blending materials and unobstructed connections with the surrounding landscape. There was a question about incorporating red brick in the design of the GMS to the continuity of town buildings. Ai3 will work to blend red brick into the design to reference current timeless Canton architecture while moderating cost.

The final design will authenticate the best overall, holistic design and school branding while paying homage to the natural surroundings of the site as well as materials that are of historic significance to the town.

Committee members agreed on the GMS signage (versus GALVIN) on the facade of the building but will include Galvin Middle School signage on the building. Ai3 assured committee members that any/all feedback and suggestions will be given serious consideration.

8. Public Comment: Two community members whose property abuts the GMS appreciated Consigli's thorough and thoughtful construction process and registered their interest and excitement over seeing the project progress through completion.

9. Next Meeting: The next SBC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 5 pm in the Galvin Middle School Library. Ms. Carlson introduced Alyssa Shitani who will step in for Ms. Carlson during her leave.

10. Adjournment: Hearing no questions or requests for further discussion, Mr. Folan called for a motion to adjourn the Wednesday, May 1, 2024 School Building Committee meeting at 6:19 pm. Mr. McCarthy made the motion; Mr. Benedetti seconded. Roll call vote was unanimous and recorded as follows:

Bob Benedetti	yea
John Connolly	yea
Charlie Doody	yea
Derek Folan	yea
Mary Graziano	yea
Stephen Marshall	yea
Bob McCarthy	yea
Randy Scollins	yea
8 yeas	0 nays