## Chatfield-LoPresti School Building Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 14, 2011 Chatfield School Teachers' Lounge 7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Smith, Peter Kubik, Gene Coppola, Ray Catlin, Trisha Danka, Saundra Gesek, Phyllis Jachimowski, Yashu Putorti, Paul Mirabelle, Michael Marcinek

Absent: Kurt Miller, Jay Hatfield, Bruce Baker

Silver-Petrucelli Representatives:

David Stein, Aris Stalis

**Fusco Corporation Representatives:** 

Brian Calvert, Bryan D'Orlando and

Consultant Steve Jedrziewski

**Board of Education Representatives:** 

MaryAnn Mascolo, David Olechna,

Wayne Natzel

Parents:

**Christine Brenning** 

Lisa Dimas

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He asked for any public comment.

Chatfield School parent Christine Brenning inquired as to the project timeline as she had heard that presently the project is behind its anticipated scheduling.

Fusco Corporation representatives assured Mrs. Brenning that the project is currently on line to be completed in the two year construction period as planned. Due to the severe winter, some phases of the project were delayed, but every effort is being made to close that gap to meet the goal of opening the new school to two school populations in September of 2012.

Mr. Smith called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2011 special meeting as presented.

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Catlin) to accept the minutes of the May 31, 2011 special meeting as presented.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mrs. Danka, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms.Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

Correspondence

Mr. Smith informed the Committee members that a communication was received by First Selectman Paul Roy from the Department of Transportation. It is seeking information regarding the work of the Giordano Company at the construction site. AS this company is under contract with the Fusco Corporation, the communication was forwarded to its personnel who will meet with Giordano Company representatives and respond to the inquiries made.

**Discussion with Construction Manager** 

Brian Calvert introduced Consultant Steve Jedrziewski who made a power point presentation to the Committee membership concerning the status of the project. He stated that the project is proceeding as planned with the A building being worked on extensively to ensure completion by Thanksgiving of 2011. The C Wing is also being worked on extensively. Once completed, and the pupils have been moved to the new building, work will proceed on the renovations to the existing building. The emphasis has to be on completing the new wing first. The kitchen, cafeteria and dining area work will continue during the summer of 2012.

Mr. Jedrziewski mentioned several critical path areas which included the erection of steel; the exterior masonry wall on the canopy side; painting; framing the canopy deck; and all masonry work. Once the curtain wall is completed, the balance of work inside the building can be addressed.

Mr. Calvert added that these critical paths present the longest path to completion.

Mr. Kubik inquired as to when the lost time on the project would be made up.

Mr. Jedrziewski responded that remediation work would be made up during the summer months. The B Wing will be started earlier and the project should be back on schedule by the middle of next winter.

Mr. Calvert stated that there was also structural work that had to be done in the building as well as remedial work.

Committee members will be provided with a total update at the next meeting session.

An informational sheet was distributed which displayed the two-week look ahead working schedule. At this time, all well drilling work was completed in the rear of the building. Approximately, fifty-three wells have been done.

Mr. D'Orlando reviewed the two-week look- ahead schedule for the Committee membership's information.

A Change Order Request Sheet was distributed and explained to the Committee members. Change Order 066 will remain on hold until a resolution is made with the Marguerite Company regarding the snow removal charge. Mr. D' Orlando reviewed COs 069, 070, 071, and 073,074, 075, and 076. After discussion, Committee members felt that they needed more information on Change Order request 074 prior to any action taken on this request.

The following motions were made:

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mrs. Danka) to accept Change Orders 069 and 070 as presented with costs being taken from the construction contingency fund.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Catlin) to accept Change Orders 071,073 and 076 as presented with funding being taken from the project's contingency fund.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: Mrs. Jachimowski

Mr. Calvert announced that as of Friday, June 17, 2011, another superintendent will be at the work site.

Summer meeting schedules were also mentioned as a new location will be necessary as no one will be in the school buildings during the evening hours during the summer months.

Mr. Calvert discussed the summer security issue. He informed the Committee membership that three bids had been received from the following companies:

- a.) The Black Hawk Company \$31,247
- b.) Intercept Recover and Protection \$27,363.
- c.) Housatonic Security \$20,141

Mr. Smith asked for a motion for awarding of the bid to a security company who would oversee the building site when no one was on the premises.

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Putorti) to authorize the Fusco Corporation to hire the Housatonic Security Company for security purposes at the building site at a cost not to exceed \$20,141.00.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mrs. Danka, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

**Discussion with Architect** 

Mr. Stein introduced Aris Stalis who reviewed the playground designs for the building site. After meeting with representatives at the Bureau of School Facilities in Hartford, several changes had to be made in the playground design. These have been done and the Committee membership and the local Board of Education will have to approve the new plans as designed. Mr. Stein hoped that these acceptances will be completed by July 5, 2011,

The technology package was to be reviewed by the BSF last Friday; however, that date had to be postponed. After meeting with the educators within the district, some changes were advocated that would aid the educational programming substantially. The changes will be included in the redesign and the Committee membership should be aware that some of the items may not fall in the reimbursable category. The BSF will review the new design expediently.

Mr. Stein announced that a minor change has been made in the kitchen design. It was found that an existing bearing wall was already in place in the kitchen area and the new equipment will be placed around it accordingly. The Fusco Corporation will be submitting this change order request shortly.

Mr. Stein also informed the Committee membership that the cloth design panels for the cafeteria walls had been raised to a height of five feet four inches as was suggested by the Committee members at a previous meeting.

Approval of Invoices

Two invoices were submitted for Committee action at this meeting session.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mrs. Danka) to approve payment of Invoice #25755, from Special Testing Laboratories, Inc., In the amount of \$10,562 for work done during May, 2011.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Putorti, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mr. Catlin) to approve payment of Invoice #11-633, from Silver-Petrucelli, in the amount of \$20,014.60 for construction administration, work done on the FFE (50%), and work on the technology plan.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Putorti, Mr. Catlin, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

**Review of Budget** 

A total update on the budget's status will be presented at the next meeting session.

Other Business

Mr. Smith reminded the Committee members that the next meeting dates were scheduled for June 29, 2011 and July 12, 2011. He will inform the membership via e-mail as to where these meeting sessions will be held.

It was mentioned that the crossing guards at the school should wear a different color security identifier than the ones worn by the construction workers in order for the children to know who they are. This suggestion will be made to the police department.

Hearing nothing further:

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to adjourn the meeting.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mrs. Danka, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

**Eugene Coppola**