

Building Committee Meeting
Held in person at PMS
December 14, 2022
6:00 - 7:00 pm

Attendees: Stacy Maghakian, Chip McGee, Katie Ralls, Troy Bressette, Jen Grover, Abigail King, Pattie Lamontagne, Deb Mahoney, Brian Sands, David Wholey, Erin Mazzariello

Not in Attendance: Morgan Benson, Kristin Corey, Jason Croteau, John Gould, Darlene Greenwood, Debbie Ryan

Guests: Trisha Woolard - PTSA President

Meeting started at 06:00 PM

Chip McGee started with quick introductions of the committee members in attendance.

1. [November Project Update](#)

- Chip directed the committee to the PMS Construction update handout. The project is currently in phase 5 with a start date of September 2022 and completion date of June 2023. 34% of funds have been spent so far. We are well into the project and we continue to look for places to come in under budget. Granite curbing was in original design and is being scrapped, noting that it would not have matched Pelham Elementary's exterior design. This \$15k decrease will help down the line. Big picture we weathered was pushback in the timeline. Additions will be ready for the start of next school year. The space we are currently sitting in will take all of next school year to complete. Switchgear, which will bring electricity into the building, will be available April 2023. Deb or Stacy, any other updates? Deb Mahoney told the group that the transformer is here and installed. Troy Bressette asked if we would want to talk about the ADA ramp for the stage. Chip explained to the group that the district asked for board support for a ramp off of the stage instead of a lift that is currently in the plans. The thought being that it will have ADA and non-ADA benefits like moving instruments, stands, and other equipment that will need to get up to the stage. This change came with an increase of \$25k. Rather than trying to cut that amount from other areas the board was asking if the money could come out of an expendable trust fund for ADA compliance. This will go before the School Board during a public hearing on 12/21/22. David Wholey asked where the ramp will be on the map and what will be lost with the ramp installation. Chip said just a little storage space.

2. Introduce New Members

- Chip mentioned that we are trying to get two new students to join the committee. Stacy is working on getting permission from the parents and hopes they will be at the next meeting.

3. Provide Feedback on

- [Brick Fundraiser Location](#), Trisha Woolard present to answer the committees questions
 - Trish stated that they are not very far into brick sales. The PTSA needs to know where the bricks will be placed so they can create a better sales pitch. Trish noted that there are 50 bricks sold so far. Trish feels that once a location is picked and we are closer to the end of construction, that there will be an increase in sales. Anticipated it being a long-term sale. Stacy Maghakian started the discussion for the four brick location options. She directed the committee to the provided map. Student drop off location, corner area is near the sidewalk area, third is where the main office is now. Fourth is the courtyard outside the art room. Chip asked the group if there were any questions or preferences. David Wholey asked why the front entrance across from the crosswalk was not a possibility. Chip turned that question over to maintenance about slipperiness. Brian Sands spoke to how the bricks react differently to the ice melt than concrete and that the bricks still remain slick. David Wholey asked if the bricks would sell better if they were near the front entrance vs art room which will only be seen by students. Troy Bressette asked when the bricks would be installed. Brian Sands thought possibly before final paving. Chip did note that BPS needs a location for planning purposes. Stacy and Jen agree they should be upfront where they are most visible. Pattie asked if they could be placed by the parking lots which would be in front of the building and less of a need to be treated. Stacy thinks they would still need to be treated in case of evacuation. Brian suggested that they make a border on each side of the main entry. May limit square footage but would be out of direct walking paths. The border would be around the paver section where four trees will be planted. If they got icy you could barricade that area off from access vs treating. Troy suggested that we should be consistent across all three schools and keep them in the front of the building. Chip summarized that the bottom line is that we do not put them in the back or secondary entrance. Katie Ralls asked if the bricks

could be made into planters. Chip suggested we pause for now and gather information from the manufacturer.

- [Logo redesign](#)
 - Stacy Maghakian is working with Dan Jones and graphic design students to come up with a new PMS logo. Stacy projected for the group a few options. She did mention that the project management team has a deadline of December 31, 2022 for the logo to be added to the flooring. The group felt that the design was a little too graphic for a middle school. Suggestions included removing the scratch marks. It was mentioned that a full tiger design will not translate cleanly to the floor. Brian Sands stated that we can add it later on if need be than to rush this decision.
- Paint Colors and Interior Finishes
 - Stacy Maghakian brought out the sample board that contained paint, carpet and other finishes for the main foyer. Chip stated that they were looking for input even though the decision does not land with the group. The group liked all of the options that were chosen. Carpets will be in offices and library. David Wholey mentioned that the installers should be careful with the carpet design and may want to alternate the pattern when installed.

4. Minutes - [October 12, 2022](#)

- 6:40PM David Wholey made a motion to approve minutes. Katie Ralls seconded. 4-0-6 to approve the minutes as written. (Troy Bressette, Jen Grover, Abigail King, Pattie Lamontagne, Deb Mahoney, Brian Sands did not vote)
Troy Bressette left the meeting at 6:45PM

5. Tour “Area B”

- The committee left Room 100 to tour “Area B” at 6:50PM.

6. Other Questions and Comments

- None

7. Next Meeting

- Chip confirmed that the next meeting will be held on January 25, 2023.

Abigail King made a motion to end the meeting at 6:57PM. Pattie Lamontagne seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.