

**SHELTON HIGH SCHOOL
RENOVATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
120 MEADOW STREET
Room 317 B
February 11, 2009**

Chairman Anthony Simonetti called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the renovation committee.

Roll Call:

Present: Marty Coughlin, Anthony Simonetti, Sean Sullivan, John Fitzgerald, Michelle Kawalautzki; **Excused:** Joe Pereira, Anthony Savignano, **Absent:** Freda Keklik, Raymond Sullivan. The quorum was 5 present 4 absent.

Others in attendance: Dan Casinelli, Fletcher – Thompson, Doug Shearer, Fusco – Project Manager, Bill Banfe - Operations Manager, Patricia Lilling - Recording Secretary

Marty Coughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2009, seconded by Michelle Kawalautzki, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Work Session:

- 1. Cafeteria Ceiling:** Anthony Simonetti said a meeting had been held and the company was willing to give all the ceiling tiles to be replaced in the cafeteria as well as take the tiles away to be recycled. The company agreed that the tiles were sagging. Dan Casinelli said he has spoken to Diane Hart from Armstrong and they did offer to replace and upgrade to a plain panel ceiling tile. She was convinced based on her years of experience that there had to be some humidity problem in the building for the ceiling tiles to sag. They will give the 6500 square feet of tile, but someone will need to install the new and remove the old. Doug Shearer spoke to THP who spoke to the ceiling contractor to pull out old tile and replace with new tiles for \$5500.00. Anthony Simonetti added that there is some recessed lighting. He feels that they are no longer needed since the new lights are much brighter and nicer and that there will be added time in cutting the tiles out around the down lights. However, that would be a Board of Education decision. Doug Shearer added that there are some speakers, smoke detectors, and emergency lights that will have to be addressed. The ceiling person would only cut the hole around, but not handle the wiring. An electrician would need to be on hand. The committee discussed when this work could be done, how long the job would take, and that most likely it would have to be done after hours, perhaps waiting until summer recess since the Board maintenance crew is committed to projects throughout the district. There is a hold on the tile as of now. John Fitzgerald asked why the committee is paying for anything – if the product is defective the vendor should provide the replacement. Dan Casinelli responded that the representative from Armstrong is convinced that the cause of the sagging is humidity to which the committee felt then ceiling tiles

elsewhere in the building would have also sagged. The new tiles will be HumiGuard®. It was suggested that Dan Casinelli go back to the rep and suggest that the committee will pay the difference between the current tile used and the upgrade but that they should be responsible for the work.

2. **Outside Doors Replacement:** Fletcher – Thompson has reviewed Steel Tech’s information, made some comments, and Bill Banfe is going to go back to Steel Tech with the information.
3. **Boys’ Locker Room:** Doug Shearer is waiting to be told if the fan coil units have been cleaned. Bill Banfe believes that Ken LaCroix called the company and found that both sides of the coil were cleaned but cannot be sure. If this is the case, the balancer can be asked to return.
4. **Projector Wiring:** Doug Shearer brought forward pricing for projector wiring for additional classrooms. Since the pricing is comparative the committee agreed to move forward.

Sean Sullivan made a motion to complete the rewiring of the projector wiring by DC Electrical in the amount of \$2,932.44 (not to exceed), seconded by Marty Coughlin, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Chairman Simonetti brought forward some outstanding issues regarding the punch list from Dr. Smith.

Dan Casinelli and Doug Shearer each addressed the items:

- Door stops for some doors on 4th floor, since they are science classrooms the doors have a one hour closer on them and should not be left open with wedges. (DC)
- Hardware on magnetic fire doors – looked at tonight, not sure why they are breaking, but he will have to further investigate why they are breaking. (DC)
- Smoke detector Room 106 – no reason why the smoke detector is in the location it is other than it was replaced where it was originally, may need to be moved. (DC)
- Fan switch for Room 106 is located in another room. Again, original location of the switch – Dan Casinelli will look at it.
- Caulking door frame by ramp near auditorium – Doug Shearer stated this was done.
- Clock/speaker replacement in the Headmaster’s Office has not been finished properly. Sean Sullivan said it is a sheetrock wall and should have such a patch, not a metal patch.
- Vent in Room 435 is too loud. Doug Shearer is not sure why it is so loud, not sure exactly what to do. It may be close to where the exhaust fan is and sound baffles may be needed. Dan Casinelli and Doug Shearer will look into it.
- Mechanical Closet Room 401 is too loud. Doug Shearer said a gasket has been placed on this door.
- Mike Nolan’s door – has been fixed. (DS)
- Auditorium chairs with desks – desks are loose; lock nuts have been installed on all of them. (DS)
- Numbers on the fourth floor – Dan Casinelli will check
- Roof leaks – done (DS)

- Ceiling tiles – café – working on

5. Added Scope Items: Doors for the interior fire doors and stairwell fire doors will need to be done by the committee. Chairman Simonetti's estimate is \$285,000 - \$315,000 including doors and installation. It does not include work if asbestos is found and needs to be addressed. As a result of the fire, the Fire Rehabilitation Committee has the doors as a top priority. At the meeting of the Fire Rehab Committee on Monday evening, the Mayor asked Bill Banfe to get Dan Casinelli to give the committee a proposal to write the bid specs for the remaining interior stairwell doors and all the fire doors. Dan Casinelli put an addendum to that and will give the committee information regarding the rest of the doors. From 37 doors it may grow to include 71 doors. The committee replaced three sets of corridor fire doors; there are twelve more sets that need to be replaced. This would have to go out to bid. Dan Casinelli said that they are also planning to add the magnetic hold on these doors.

John Fitzgerald recommended payment of the invoice for Patricia Lilling (130.28) for minutes of the regular meeting of 1/14/2009, seconded by Marty Coughlin, vote 5-0, motion carried.

John Fitzgerald recommended payment of the Invoice #1538 dated 11/26/2008 to Cleaner Solutions (969.00), seconded by Michelle Kawalautzki, vote 5-0, motion carried.

John Fitzgerald recommended tabling the Invoice to Fletcher – Thompson for Application #64 for services related to the chiller issue, vote 5-0, motion carried.

John Fitzgerald made a motion to recommend payment of Invoice #194799 to Projector AV (5820.00), seconded by Marty Coughlin, vote 5-0, motion carried.

John Fitzgerald made a motion to table payment of Invoice #821 (301.00) to the Shelton Board of Education for custodial overtime for further clarification, vote 5-0, motion carried.

Bill Banfe added that he had a finance report available with \$192,000 available at this time.

Michelle Kawalautzki left the meeting at 6:30 PM. There were 4 members of the committee remaining, no quorum.

The committee continued discussion of fire doors, boiler room, stage floor needs to be revisited by THP, and window caulking item. The committee stated the stage floor has buckled twice. It has been screwed down in many places to keep it down for use, but it is not acceptable and a safety issue. Sean Sullivan said that the committee greatly appreciated the effort of the contractor to make sure the stage was usable for the various productions, however, no one has returned to make the floor right. Doug Shearer added that THP was to do the floor and that there is still an issue with the

window caulking which has not yet been resolved. There was extensive discussion by the committee regarding the caulking. Anthony Simonetti felt the window frames should fit with an 1/8" each side, however the case is there is an inch space and now that space needed to be filled with caulking. Doug Shearer responded that the windows needed to line up, there were existing control joints, and the windows had to be prefabricated at a certain dimension. The committee asked where the fault was. Was it in the prefabrication? Dan Casinelli said that he and Doug Shearer do not agree on the change order, but that he does understand what Doug is saying. John Fitzgerald stated there was a math error. Doug Shearer said the opening was made a little larger to allow the windows to line up. John Fitzgerald asked if Dan Casinelli and Doug Shearer could figure out who the responsible party would be. Doug Shearer said he believes this is a construction contingency item. John Fitzgerald suggested that if there is a mathematical difference where on the fourth floor where the windows were installed the control joint is different than down lower and there is a different layout then there is an answer. The committee continued discussion but with no resolution at this time.

The committee asked Doug Shearer if there were any open items. He said there is a \$1400.00 charge for fixing a clogged sanitary line. A camera had to be used to snake down the line approximately 50 feet to fix the clog. The committee said to bring the change order forward for payment for the next meeting.

Chairman Simonetti left the meeting at 6:45 PM.

Marty Coughlin adjourned the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Lilling

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Recording Secretary
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