

Capital Request Committee Meeting Minutes  
November 21, 2000

The meeting began at 8:45 A.M. Carol Comeau welcomed everyone, noting that the recommendations provided by the community are appreciated and very valuable in the District's effort to identify bond projects. Carol announced that the District would be reviewing the way the committee is organized with the goal of having staggered overlapping terms for the public members. This will provide a distinct duration for this volunteer effort and assists in educating the larger community on District Capital issues. Results from this meeting will be presented to the Administration to assist in the final recommendation to the School Board for approval and to then be forwarded to the Municipal Assembly.

Carol Comeau turned the meeting over to Ray Amsden, the District's new Facilities Director. Introductions were made. Ray noted that we are a little behind awaiting the outcome of the 10 mil tax cap initiative. However, the Administration will have recommendations to the School Board for their December 11, 2000 meeting.

A brief overview of the current design and construction projects were provided to committee members. The Dimond Replacement School will be out for bidding very soon with occupancy anticipated in September 2003. The New South Anchorage High School is still in design, and is anticipated for a 2004 opening. Chugiak High School is continuing with their sequenced design and construction projects. Bartlett, East and Service High Schools and Wendler Middle School are in various stages of design for construction beginning next year.

There was some discussion regarding the Department of Education and Early Development's Major Maintenance and School Construction Grant results. It was noted that many of the projects had been on the lists for several years and that many Alaskan schools, especially in rural areas, were seriously in need of major improvements. House Bill 281 with funding of \$77.9 million in debt reimbursement for Anchorage was discussed. It was noted that legislative change would be required to identify previous bond projects for reimbursement with a couple of exceptions. This being the case there was agreement that it made sense to use that funding for future eligible projects.

Ray Amsden walked committee members through the many needed projects using Board Memorandum #120, Attachments C and D as a guide. The following projects were discussed:

Districtwide Major Maintenance Projects:

Many projects are identified as indicated in Attachment D. These projects are in three categories, Priority A, B or C with A projects as the highest priority. Eight groups of projects totaling \$10,682,000 are identified as follows:

Asbestos Projects -Category A	\$615,000
Minor Building Renewal Projects- Category A	\$890,000
Electrical Projects- Category A	\$1,553,000
Energy Conservation Study Phase 1- Category A & B	\$375,000
Maintenance and Operations Equipment- Category A	\$734,000
Mechanical Projects -Category A	\$4,540,000
Roof Replacement and Repairs	\$1,275,000
Traffic Safety Upgrades (cost being finalized)	\$700,000

District Capital Projects:

Many projects are identified on Attachment C. Some have multiple phases for design and construction due to their larger size for the overall project. Others are still in the planning process with some having a need for future planning funding. Ray Amsden reviewed each project and their phases. Projects include:

Bartlett High School Phases 2 through 4  
 Chugach Optional, Chester Valley, Inlet View, Rabbit Creek, Sand Lake and  
 Turnagain Elementary Schools - Planning underway  
 Chugiak High School Phase 4  
 Earthquake Shelter Evaluation  
 East High School Phases 2 through 6  
 King Career Center Code Renovation  
 New ABC School  
 New Chugiak/Eagle River Secondary School Construction  
 New Muldoon Middle School Construction  
 Phase 2 & 3 Facility Audits and Project Planning  
 Polaris Alternative School Addition  
 Ptarmigan Elementary School Addition  
 Service High School Phases 2 through 4  
 Wendler Middle School Renovation Phase 2  
 Whaley Center Planning

The committee asked questions regarding future State debt reimbursement, Senate Bill 36 issues regarding change in funding and the level at which the District is retiring school construction bond debt. Larry Wiget provided information regarding future

debt reimbursement and SB 36. Information was provided from Janet Stokesbary regarding debt reduction of \$20,090,000 this year with \$20 to \$25 million for each of the next five years.

Committee discussions began regarding potential bond projects. It was noted that the climate for a large bond package was not necessarily favorable and it would be important to look at the projects from that perspective.

Committee members felt that all of the category A Districtwide major maintenance projects should be included for \$10,682,000. Additionally that one more grader and dump truck from the priority B list should be included for an additional \$250,000. The Earthquake Shelter Evaluation was supported in an amount of \$200,000 and it was felt that Phase 2 of Wendler should be on the bond as it was a project from 1999. Trudy Keller representing the East Attendance Area was supporting both the Polaris Addition and additional phases for East High School.

It was requested that a re-evaluation of those remaining schools on the retrofit study be accomplished prior to next years meeting. It was noted that the Retrofit Study was conducted in the early 1990's. Susan Sullivan representing the West Attendance Area made it in the form of a motion. After discussion that many schools have been waiting patiently for their turn and now to change the rules, which could change their remaining ranking, could be a problem. This motion did not pass.

It was felt that the new Chugiak/Eagle River Secondary School should be placed as a stand-alone bond requiring at least 50% matching money as it was on last year's ballot. Subsequently, King Career Center was added to the growing list along with Service High School Phases 2 and 3, East High School Phases 2 and 3 and Bartlett High School Phase 2,

There was discussion regarding Polaris K-12 School and its needs. Susan Sullivan asked a Polaris guest whether a gym addition would help with their needs. Being answered affirmatively, Susan recommended that \$3.5 million be identified for the Polaris K-12 School Phase 1 - Gym Addition. A classroom and MPR addition for Ptarmigan Elementary School was also incorporated on the list as this school is at 150% of capacity. A final recommendation was developed as shown below.

#### Bond Package 1 - \$40,200,000

New Chugiak Eagle River Secondary School Construction (50% min. matching funds)

Bond Package 2 - \$104,763,000

Districtwide Major Maintenance		\$11,017,000
Including:		
Asbestos Projects	\$615,000	
Minor Building Renewal Projects	890,000	
Electrical Projects	1,553,000	
Maintenance & Operations	984,000	
Equipment		
Mechanical Projects	4,540,000	
Roof Replacement and Repairs	1,275,000	
Traffic Safety Upgrades (finalized cost)	785,000	
Energy Conservation Study Phase 1	375,000	
Earthquake Shelter Evaluation		200,000
Wendler MS Phase 2		20,200,000
King Career Center Code Renovation		3,000,000
Service HS Phases 2 & 3		32,523,000
East HS Phases 2 & 3		13,752,000
Bartlett HS Phase 2		17,071,000
Ptarmigan Classroom and MPR Addition		3,500,000
Polaris Gym Addition		3,500,000

A motion was made by Hans Bernard to approve the recommended list of projects. Motion passed. The meeting concluded at noon.

Attachment: Attendance list

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Committee Member:

Representing:

Marilyn Barbeau	Anchorage School District Facilities
Margo Bellamy	Middle School Principals Association
Hans Bernard	Student Population
Ed Conyers	Anchorage School District Maintenance
Gary Dale	Chugiak High School Attendance Area
Michelle Egan	Anchorage School District Public Affairs
Mike Franks	Anchorage School District Major Maintenance
Sarah Gantt	Service High School Attendance Area
Fred Giddings	Elementary School Principals Association
Elaine Hantz	Federation of Community Councils
Pat Healow	Bartlett High School
Norm Holthouse	Anchorage School District Technology/MIS
Dee Hubbard	Anchorage Council of PTA's
Trudy Keller	East High Attendance Area
Sophia Masewicz	Principals Association
Ken Maynard	AIA
Pat McDowell	Anchorage School District Instruction
Patricia McRae	Anchorage School District Elementary Education
Gail Opalinski	Anchorage School District Middle Level Education
Mary Rasmussen	Dimond High School Attendance Area
Robyn Rehmann	Anchorage School District Special Education
Susan Sullivan	West High School Attendance Area
Jim Taylor	Anchorage School District High School Education

Guests:

Representing:

Jacqui Condecy	Polaris K-12 Parent
Kitte Miller	Polaris K-12 Parent