

NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Memorandum

TO: David Fleishman, Superintendent

FROM: Sandra Guryan, Deputy Superintendent/Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: February 27, 2012

RE: Facilities Update: Angier School

This update will provide current information on the status of the Angier School Project.

Work has continued on the submission of required documentation for the Eligibility Phase of the MSBA process. The status of required components is as follows:

1. Approval of funding for the Feasibility and Schematic Design phase has been completed by the Board of Aldermen through its committees and with a vote of the full Board on February 21, 2012. The vote of the School Committee on February 13, 2012 is documented as well. These documents will be submitted in the required format in the coming days prior to March 1, 2012.
2. The Initial Compliance Certification Form is completed and signed by the Mayor after review by the Law Department, as required, and will be submitted prior to March 1, 2012.
3. The enrollment module has been completed with two required submissions that include confirming current enrollment in a specific format, birth data, housing sales, building permits, out-of-district population, Special Education information, Kindergarten and other general information. This information was submitted on February 13, 2012 and on February 24, 2012 in two submissions as requested.
4. The MSBA will request a conference on the enrollment portion of the application, pending their review of the information provided.
5. The Maintenance portion of the module will be completed prior to March 1, 2012, with nearly all maintenance and capital information complete. A wide array of information on maintenance spending and planning is required and has been completed by both school and city staff.
6. Formation of a School Building Committee is an MSBA requirement and a DRAFT letter from the Mayor to the MSBA is attached, with the list of recommended members in the categories required and/or recommended by MSBA. This committee is not a substitute for Newton's process and procedures required by the City Charter and more information will be provided in the coming months about the overlay of the process of renovating or replacing a school. (See attached MSBA regulations)
7. The School Committee and the Executive Office each recommend one community member to the School Building Committee. The Mayor will be

prepared to discuss his appointee, Theresa Fitzpatrick, current president of the Waban Improvement Society. Please see the attached memo from Clair Sokoloff, Jonathan Yeo, and Steve Siegel recommending Emily Prinner, current PTO President at Angier, to serve as the School Committee's designated community member.

8. The Newton Historic Commission met on February 23, 2012 to discuss the Angier School project and its potential demolition if a new school is the recommended solution. The Commission voted for a one year demolition delay in order to fully review the building and the project prior to the construction period.
9. As requested, a DRAFT Timeline is provided by Alex Valcarce, Project Manager, with the key dates in the MSBA process noted. This is a preliminary schedule which will be regularly updated as information is received.

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(b) Any Eligible Applicant seeking funding from the Authority which has, prior to submitting any part of an Application to the Authority, sold, leased or otherwise removed from service any schoolhouse operated by said Eligible Applicant shall be eligible for such grant only if the Authority determines that the grant is not for the purpose of replacing a schoolhouse sold, leased, or otherwise removed from service in the past ten years or that the need for the Proposed Project covered by the grant could not have reasonably been anticipated at the time that such schoolhouse was sold, leased, or otherwise removed from service pursuant to M.G.L. c. 70B, § 15 (c).

(c) Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 70B, § 8, the Authority shall not approve any Proposed Project for any school district that fails to spend in the year preceding the year of application at least 50% of the sum of said school district's calculated foundation budget amounts for the purposes of foundation utility and ordinary maintenance expenses, and extraordinary maintenance allotment as defined in M.G.L. c.70, for said purposes. From Fiscal Year 1999 forward, no school district shall be given approval for a Proposed Project nor receive any funding from the Authority unless said district has spent at least 50% of the sum of said district's calculated foundation budget amounts in each of the Fiscal Years including and succeeding Fiscal Year 1999.

(3) School Building Committee.

(a) The Eligible Applicant shall formulate a school building committee for the purpose of generally monitoring the Application process and to advise the Eligible Applicant during the construction of an Approved Project.

(b) The school building committee shall be formed in accordance with the provisions of the Eligible Applicant's local charter and/or by-laws and it is recommended that the city, town, regional school district, or independent agricultural and technical school make a reasonable effort to include one or more of the following individuals: the local chief executive officer of the Eligible Applicant, or, in the case of a town whose local chief executive officer is a multi-party body, said body may elect one of its members to serve on the school building committee; the town administrator, town manager, or city manager, where applicable; at least one member of the school committee, as required by M.G.L. c. 71, § 68; the superintendent of schools; the local official responsible for building maintenance; a representative of the office or body authorized by law to construct school buildings in that city, town or regional school district, or for that independent agricultural and technical school; the school principal from the subject school; a member who has knowledge of the educational mission and function of the facility; a local budget official or member of the local finance committee; members of the community with architecture, engineering and/or construction experience to provide advice relative to the effect of the Proposed Project on the community and to examine building design and construction in terms of its constructability.

(c) The Authority may hold "best practices" information sessions at varying geographic locations in the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping school building committees up to date on regulatory and policy activities of the Authority.

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(d) The Eligible Applicant shall submit to the Authority for its approval, a written statement describing the composition of the school building committee and the role of the school building committee in monitoring the Application process and advising the Eligible Applicant during the construction of the Approved Project. The written statement shall be in a format prescribed by the Authority.

(e) The Authority shall approve the composition and role of the school building committee which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Authority's approval will be based on several factors, including, but not limited to:

1. past performance of the school building committee, the building committee, whether temporary or permanent, or any other committee responsible for the oversight, management, or administration of the construction of public buildings, the composition of the school building committee and qualifications of its individual members, the powers and duties of the school building committee; and the school building committee's procedures for conducting its meetings; and

2. the extent to which there is representation of the municipal government, school district personnel with management, educational and maintenance expertise, and representation of members of the local community with design and construction experience. After the approval of the school building committee by the Authority, if any, the Eligible Applicant shall notify the Authority in writing within 20 calendar days of any changes to the membership or the duties of said committee. The Eligible Applicant shall make a reasonable effort to ensure the continuity of membership of the school building committee throughout the life of an Approved Project.

(f) The Eligible Applicant shall not delegate their fiduciary responsibilities to the School Building Committee.

(4) Design and Educational Program and Budget Statement for Educational Objectives.

(a) If the Authority determines that the Proposed Project has been deemed to merit further consideration, the Authority may require that an Eligible Applicant submit, in the format prescribed by the Authority, a Design and Educational Program, and a Budget Statement for Educational Objectives. The Eligible Applicant shall outline the specific educational program goals for a Proposed Project and how the Eligible Applicant proposes to align those goals with the operating budget for the District and Proposed Project.

(b) The following spaces shall be categorically ineligible for Authority funding: swimming pools, skating rinks, field houses (only to the same extent as gymnasias), district administrative office space, indoor tennis courts, and other spaces which may be determined ineligible by the Authority.

(c) The Design and Educational Program shall be subject to the approval of the Authority. The Authority may provide, when in the discretion of the Authority it is necessary, technical assistance to the Eligible Applicant with the development of Design and Educational Program elements. The Authority shall review the Budget Statement for Educational Objectives in the context of the Design and Educational Program, and the Authority may



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February 24, 2012

Ms. Kathryn DeCristofaro
Senior Field Coordinator
Massachusetts School Building Authority
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Dear Ms. DeCristofaro:

In accordance with 963 CMR 2.00, attached for your review and approval is the membership of the School Building Committee for the A.E. Angier Elementary School located in the City of Newton. The Committee was formed in accordance with the provisions of all applicable statutes, local charters, by-laws and agreements of the City of Newton. Committee Members include the following:

(Please provide name, title, address and phone number of each member. Also, please indicate whether the member has voting power. Some categories may have more than one name. All members must be included)

Designation	Name and Title	Address	Phone Number	Voting Member
SBC member who is MCPPO certified*	Jennifer Hill**	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.796.1100	
Local Chief Executive Officer	Setti Warren Mayor	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.796.1100	
Administrator or Manager ⁱ *	Robert Rooney COO	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.796.1100	X
School Committee Member (minimum of one)	Jonathan Yeo	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.559.6100	X
Superintendent of Schools	David Fleishman	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.559.6100	
Local Official responsible for Building Maintenance	Stephanie Gilman Commissioner of Public Buildings	52 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02461	617.796.1600	X
Representative of Office authorized by law to construct school buildings	Stephanie Gilman Commissioner of Public Buildings	52 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02461	617.796.1600	

School Principal	Loreta Lamberti	Angier Elementary School 1697 Beacon Street Waban, MA 02468	617.559.9320	X
Member knowledgeable in educational mission and function of facility	Joseph Russo Assist. Super. for Elementary Ed.	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.559.6100	
Local budget official or member of local finance Committee	Maureen Lemieux CFO	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.796.1100	X
Members of community with architecture, engineering and/or construction experience	Arthur Cohen, AIA Design Review Committee - Chair	79 Warren Street Newton, MA 02459	617.547.2200	
School Committee Chair	Claire Sokoloff School Committee Chair	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.559.6100	
School Committee Member Structural Engineer	Steven Siegel School Committee Member	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.559.6100	X
School District Official Finance & Operations Oversight	Sandra Guryan Dept. Super. / CAO, School Dep.	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.599.9027	X
Board Of Alderman Financial Management	Ruthanne Fuller Alderman	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.738.5311	X
Board of Alderman Angier District	John Rice Alderman	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.201.7088	X
Board of Alderman	Leonard J. Gentile Alderman	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.527.5446	X
President of the Waban Improvement Society (Angier District)	Theresa Fitzpatrick Local Resident Appoint by Mayor	1935 Beacon Street Waban, MA 02468	617.332.1654	X
Angier School PTO Co-President	Emily Prenner Local Resident Appoint by SC	189 Carlton Road Waban, MA 02468	617.969.0897	X
SBC Staff Associate City Solicitor	Ouida C. M. Young Associate City Solicitor	Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459	617.796.1240	
SBC Staff Mechanical Engineering Facilities Management	Joshua Morse Dir. of Operations Public Buildings	52 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02461	617.796.1600	
SBC Staff Mechanical Engineer	Michael Cronin Chief of Operations School Department	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.599.9001	
SBC Staff City Planning	Carol Chafetz Dir. of Env. Affairs School Department	Education Center 100 Walnut Street Newton, MA	617.599.9010	
SBC Staff Architecture, Project Management	Alex Valcarce, AIA Project Manager Public Buildings	52 Elliot Street Newton, MA 02461	617.796.1600	

Memorandum

TO: School Committee

FROM: Claire Sokoloff, Jonathan Yeo, and Steve Siegel

DATE: February 27, 2012

One of the requirements for MSBA to participate in the Angier project is the establishment of a School Building Committee with specified membership. Alex Valcarce (Angier Project Manager) has collaborated with members of the Angier Working group (Sandy Guryan, Maureen Lemieux, Bob Rooney, Stephanie Gilman, Jonathan Yeo, Steve Siegel, John Rice and Ruthanne Fuller) along with the Mayor, Superintendent, and School Committee chair to fill these positions. The Facilities Update includes the draft letter to the MSBA regarding School Building Committee membership.

As you can see, the MSBA asks for at least two citizen representatives on the Building Committee, one appointed by the Mayor, and the other by the School Committee. The Mayor will be prepared to speak briefly about his appointment Theresa Fitzpatrick, who is currently the president of the Waban Improvement Society. We are asking that you accept our recommendation for Emily Prenner to serve as the School Committee's citizen representative to the Building Committee.

Ms. Prenner is the current PTO Co-President and Fundraising Chair at Angier, and has been very active at the school for the past eight years. She has also been involved in advocacy for public education at both the state and local level. She was a member of the Newton Public School's Strategic Planning team (also known as Newton 2020) from 2007-2009. Before moving to Newton, Emily was an IT Program Manager for a Wall Street firm in NYC. She has two children – a daughter at Angier Elementary School and a son at Brown Middle School.

We are happy to answer any questions.

As of:
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Tentative Schedule

