

March 17, 2016 Teleconference Gibraltar-Skillman

Jim Thompson, Alex Nelson – Gibraltar
Scott Cherry, Dion Katsouros– Skillman
Dr. Frataccia, Julie Lauck, Todd VanKeppel, Lisa Frankus - VCS

All parties attended the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Summer 2016 Work

Scott will seek board authorization to advertise for bids for the Thomas Jefferson and Ben Franklin Middle School Track Resurfacing Projects (from Middle School Bond Funds) and the Ben Franklin Middle School Site Work and Drainage Project (from Deferred Maintenance) at the Board meeting today. Bid Opening will be April 14, 2016 and contracts will be awarded at the April 21, 2016 Board meeting. These projects will be completed in August 2016.

Other summer work includes the Thomas Jefferson Middle School Field House Floor and the Valparaiso High School Gymnastics Pit (from Deferred Maintenance). Bid opening for these projects is March 22, 2016, contracts will be awarded at the April 21, 2016 Board meeting, and work completion date is August 2016.

Cooks Corners and Memorial Elementary

Bid opening for the gym additions at Cooks Corners and Memorial Elementary Schools is April 5, 2016. The site work for Cooks Corners will be bid in June and Memorial in July with construction completion estimated to be in December 2017.

VHS

A discussion was held regarding improvements to the south end of the cafeteria /food service area. Alex reported the estimated cost of \$700,000. Dr. Frataccia suggested that these improvements should be kept on our wish list and that updated learning spaces are the priority.

New Elementary School

Scott reported that the foundation could be started in approximately 6 weeks. A groundbreaking ceremony immediately preceding the April 21, 2016 Board meeting was suggested.

Elementary School District-Wide Considerations

Cooks Corners, Memorial, Northview, Parkview and Thomas Jefferson will have major interior renovations, a new gymnasium, new secure entryway, and office renovations and additions. Jim Thompson presented neutral grey brick samples and metal panel samples as common themes for the additions. Designing for similar original buildings using similar forms, materials and colors will present a unified branded image while each project exhibits its own uniqueness and character. The design and detailing of new construction will influence small details and colors to be added to the existing construction where appropriate.