

Bid Package # 16A

\$3,427,000.00

Electrical

Professional Electrical Contractors of CT., Inc.

This amount reflects the elimination of heat detectors above the ceilings, which will be replaced with sprinkler heads. Empty raceways are included for the security, smart boards, telephone, data, and audio visual systems. The wiring and technology equipment will be taken from the technology budget, while E-rate grants are pursued.

Motion to authorize award of Gilbane's recommended bid packages 04A, 08A, 09A, 15A, 15B, 15C, 16A: M. Keegan

Second by: S. Barrett

unanimously approved

Project Update – J. Kripp

The petroleum contaminated soil has been removed and stock piled on the site. In order to re-use this soil on the site, remediation treatment must meet certain standards. Approval from RIDEM for this application is anticipated and soil remediation is ongoing. PCE contaminated soil will be removed from the site completely. Compaction testing takes place daily and the project continues to remain on schedule.

Discussion concerning furnishings and staffing – S. Dunlap, Dr. McGee

A detailed review of both old and new building programs and spaces has taken place. With consideration of current enrollment, and average absenteeism, the approximate class size is 27. A furniture layout review confirmed that classroom space can accommodate a larger class size if necessary. Current staff and class space in the new middle schools can support the current 14 teams, or up to 18 teams, with the potential for movement. This process is moving forward, and Dr. McGee is confident the programs will fit, and the extra space can be wisely utilized. "We can sufficiently place the current staff effectively." The project leaders will consult with RIDE for approval and support for the recommended number and size of instructional space and administrative staff placement.

The committee agreed that the option of having two coed schools verses a boys and girls' school must be decided soon, as the building is being developed. The committee also agreed this was a decision that would be made by the school committee with input from RIDE. Mr. Mathews asked Gilbane and Ai3 to establish a deadline for the final decision, and to prepare a communication to the school committee recognizing the implications of the final decision on the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.