

East Providence School Department
East Providence Building Committee – EPSD Districtwide
December 8, 2025

The East Providence Building Committee met on Monday, December 8, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at the new Martin Middle School. Members in attendance: Manuel Vinhateiro, Sandra Forand, Laurie Marchand, Stephen Amoroso, Alexandra Gonzalez, Jack Rezendes, Karen Rebello, Dan Carpenter, Patrick McDonald and John Iemma .

Robert Rodericks, Alfred Villeneuve, Karen Moore, Tom Brun, Anthony Ferreira and Jessica Beauchaine were absent.

Anne DaSilva, Matt Abraham, Brian Grady and Corinne Andrade were also present.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Vinhateiro announced there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. OPM Update – Current Districtwide Improvements

Martin Middle School/Pre-K – Construction Phase I completion on November 14. The building has been turned over for construction Phase II. Mobilized for demo and abatement in the next week or so. Site fencing and security has been established. M/WBE participation at 11% +/- includes hard and soft costs that have been updated on a monthly basis. Open items include the project budget and decision matrix. Shawmut updated the basketball courts, along with auditorium alternates which should be done over the summer of 2027. Moving to Phase II end of summer 2027, with end of 2027 for Pre-K. The gymnasium is being utilized.

The three-month look ahead includes demo and abatement, site work; underground utilities and prep and complete subgrade for footings in February. Auditorium work is ongoing through May of next year. ATR Treehouse to start sound and lighting work in February. Mr. Carpenter is looking into hardwood for stage floor, which has been quoted, and will be done by the district.

Ms. DaSilva stated they will review to prioritize list and are in the process of talking through Stage II plans. She will be meeting with Principal Rebello and the design team regarding the indoor/outdoor playground and offices.

With regard to the budget, they saw an adjustment of \$300K to Waddington. There was a \$16K credit of auditorium changes of initial change in October and in November \$300K masonry work auditorium change. Shawmut returned \$500K in construction contingencies. They will review the construction contingencies tomorrow with the working group.

Principal Marchand stated that they are missing some additional items that were not in the plan. They will go through the punch list. Conversations to take place on Friday to go over the missing items and cost. They will also be looking at the plans again for the Pre-K design.

Superintendent Forand stated that they should save the bathrooms in the hallway for a time capsule. Principal Marchand stated they are going to tweak things a bit, recruiting students for a design in the cafeteria for the tables. She stated the students love the cafeteria and the windows.

Waddington – They are working on the close out items. Site drainage is officially complete and closed out with RIDEM. Hydroseeded in November which should take in the spring and is under warranty. The ADA lifts steel supports have arrived and will be installed tomorrow. Inspection is on December 9th by the state inspector. Shawmut is completing issues as reported. They are continually replacing flush valves and are installing two pressure reducing valves and two sediment screens to help remedy the sentiment coming in from the city pipes. Shawmut will be incurring the cost.

M/WBE participation to date is +/- 12% after reconciliation includes hard and soft costs. There are no significant changes. Open items include project budget and the decision matrix. There are three priorities items: flooring replacement and water resistant adhesive; Phase II blind replacement; and new flooring at cafeteria. Total project budget is 94% complete.

III. Acceptance of OPM Report

Motion by Mr. Amoroso, seconded by Mr. Rezendes and carried by unanimous consent to accept the OPM update as submitted.

IV. Approval of Stage III Invoices – November 2025

Ai3 Basic Services MMS - \$46,713.27
Ai3 Supplemental Services MMS - \$7,513.21
Ai3 Basic Services Wadd - \$5,181.75
Peregrine Group – MMS - \$50,600.00
Peregrine Group – Wadd - \$21,780.00
Shawmut MMS - \$2,021,631.84
Shawmut Wadd – \$515,582.75
Stephen Turner, Inc. MMS - \$12,748.25
Stephen Turner, Inc. Wadd - \$12,284.20
Thielsch Engineering MMS – \$1,151.27
Apple Financial Services MMS - \$236,325.00
CORE Business Technologies MMS - \$41,957.03
Willscot MMS – \$2,900.46
PODS MMS - \$233.20
DataPivot – MMS - \$1,300.00
DataPivot – MMS - \$8,550.00
WB Mason MMS - \$403.00
Whalley Computer Associates MMS - \$58,379.14
Whalley Computer Associates MMS - \$287,196.00
American Window MMS - \$5,123.16

Total \$3,337,553.53

Motion by Dr. Forand, seconded by Mr. Rezendes and carried by unanimous consent to approve the November 2025 invoices in the amount of \$3,337,553.53 as read by Ms. Gonzalez.

V. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Ms. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Carpenter and carried by unanimous consent to approve the November 10, 2025 minutes as submitted.

VI. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on Monday, January 12, 2026 at 5:30 pm in the cafeteria at Martin.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Amoroso and carried by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Corsi
Executive Assistant

Manuel Vinhateiro
Building Committee Chair