

Central Falls School District Building Committee
November 15, 2010
Minutes of the Meeting

A meeting of the Central Falls Schools Building Committee was held on Monday, November 15, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the Central Falls High School in Central Falls, Rhode Island, Library.

At 1:10 p.m., Frances Gallo, Superintendent of Central Falls Schools, called the meeting to order. Committee members present were: Frances Gallo, Giovanna Venditti, Ed Vandette, Joe Nield, Todd Olbrych, Marie Twohey, and Kathy Gaouette. Committee members not present were: Ellen Eggeman, Sonia Rodrigues and Anna Cano-Morales. Other attendees were: Mario Papitto, Joe da Silva, Jim Hutchinson, Kelo T. Taliadouros and Michael Daigneault.

Voting members in attendance were: Frances Gallo, Giovanna Venditti, Ed Vandette, Joe Nield, Todd Olbrych, Marie Twohey, and Kathy Gaouette. Voting members not in attendance were: Ellen Eggeman, Sonia Rodrigues and Anna Cano-Morales.

The minutes of the previous meeting were discussed and reviewed by the members. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Vandette, seconded by Mr. Nield and approved unanimously.

Two representatives from Ameresco, a Rhode Island approved ESCO, presented information on the following topics: who they are as a company, the benefits of an ESCO, ESCO cash flow, development approach and the audit process. They also informed the committee that there is a possible estimated savings of \$160,000 to \$240,000.

There was discussion regarding the company's markup costs and fees. The markup costs were reviewed line-by-line.

It was clarified that the \$17,000 proposal was only for the energy audit. The procurement process requires that the best and final be given first before a contract can be entered into. In order for that to take place the audit would have to be completed first. Ameresco agreed to discuss and contact Dr. Gallo to verify if they are able to provide the best and final. There was some discussion on how the ESCO would be funded.

JAED presented the project meeting minutes as well as the MPA Owner's Representative budget. It was indicated that Ms. Lorraine Hynes of DOA had recommended that the Commissioning Agent be different from the Owner's Representative. The committee agreed to contact three MPA Owner Representatives to contact and interview as quickly as possible for a competitive bid.

The bill for the design development in the amount of \$29,515.96 was presented for signature and a motion to proceed with the bill payment was made Mr. Vandette, Ms. Venditti, and unanimously approved.

No new business was discussed and a motion to recess was made by Ms. Gaouette, seconded by Mr. Olbrych and approved unanimously.