

DECATUR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #61
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA

Regular Meeting
Keil Administration Building
101 W. Cerro Gordo Street
Decatur, IL 62523

July 09, 2024
4:30 PM Special Open Session

Legend: AI = Action Item DI = Discussion Item IO = Information Only

Strategic Plan Mission:

The mission of Decatur Public Schools, the destination district of our community, is to unlock students' unique and limitless potential to achieve their personal aspirations as fully prepared, contributing citizens in a global society through learning experiences distinguished by:

- *commitment to the whole person resulting in student growth and confidence*
- *relevant, innovative, personalized academic pathways that promote passion and pride*
- *a learning environment that fosters curiosity and the thirst for achievement and discovery*
- *a culture of diversity, adaptability, and resilience*
- *meaningful and lasting relationships*
- *extraordinary school and community connections*

The Board of Education Parameters that Guide Our Work:

- We will make decisions in the best interest of all students.
- We will treat all people with dignity and respect.
- We will seek input and collaboration throughout our diverse community.
- We will practice responsible stewardship of all our resources.

AI 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

IO 2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AI 3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA JULY 09, 2024

IO 4.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Identify oneself and be brief.
- Comments should be limited to three (3) minutes.
- Any public comments submitted to the Board Secretary will be included in the record.

DI 5.0 BOARD DISCUSSION

IO 6.0 REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATION

A. First Read: School Board Policy 7:190 Student Behavior

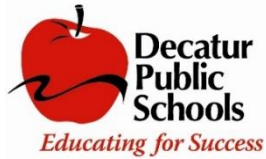
AI 7.0 ROLL CALL ACTION ITEMS

- A. Award of Bid for Asbestos Abatement at the Buildings & Grounds Annex
- B. Award of Bid for Asbestos Abatement at South Shores Elementary School
- C. Pershing Early Learning Center Fencing Project

IO 8.0 NEXT MEETING

The public portion of the next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be at 6:30 PM, Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at the Keil Administration Building.

AI 9.0 ADJOURNMENT



Board of Education Decatur Public School District #61

Date: July 09, 2024	Subject: Award of Bid to Perform Asbestos Abatement in the Bldgs. & Grounds Annex Boiler Room
Initiated By: Kent Metzger, Director of Building and Grounds	Attachments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alliance Illinois Letter of Recommendation• Bid Tab dated June 21, 2024
Reviewed By: Dr. Michael Curry, Chief Operational Officer, and Dr. Rochelle Clark, Superintendent	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Asbestos containing materials have been utilized on mechanical system equipment in the boiler room at the Buildings & Grounds Annex Building. The boiler has been needing replaced for an extended period of time, and must be replaced prior to the next heating season. Prior to dismantling the boiler for replacement, asbestos containing materials must be removed by an IDPH licensed asbestos abatement contractor under the supervision of an IPDH licensed asbestos consultant.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS:

Three (3) contractors submitted bids. M&O Environmental Company submitted the most responsible low bid of \$75,000.00 to perform the asbestos abatement work. The abatement supervision will be provided by Alliance Illinois (DPS's long-standing asbestos consultant) under a separate agreement.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

These services will be paid out of Fund 60 or 90.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration respectfully requests that the Board of Education award the bid to M&O Environmental Company of Peoria, Illinois in the amount of \$75,000.00 to perform Asbestos Abatement in the Bldgs. & Grounds Annex Boiler Room as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- Approval
- Information
- Discussion

BOARD ACTION: _____

June 21, 2024

Mr. Kent Metzger
Director, Buildings and Grounds
Decatur C.U.S.D. #61
101 West Cerro Gordo
Decatur, IL 62523

RE: Letter of Recommendation for the 2024 Asbestos Abatement of the Annex Building Boiler Room, Contract A-2, DPS #61, Decatur, IL.

Dear Mr. Metzger,

Alliance, Illinois has reviewed the bids for the 2024 Asbestos Abatement of the Annex Building, Contract A-2, DPS #61, Decatur, IL.

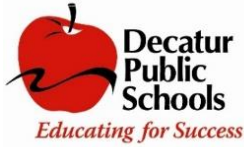
Based upon our review of the bid and our past experiences with the M&O Environmental Company, we recommend that the M&O Environmental Company, 1625 W. Altorfer Drive, Peoria, IL be selected as the abatement contractor for contract A-2 for the sum of \$75,000.00 which includes a cash allowance of \$5,000.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



Robert Talavera
Alliance, Illinois



Board of Education Decatur Public School District #61

Date: July 09, 2024	Subject: Award of Bid to Perform Asbestos Abatement in the South Shores Boiler Room
Initiated By: Kent Metzger, Director of Building and Grounds	Attachments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alliance Illinois Letter of Recommendation• Bid Tab dated June 21, 2024
Reviewed By: Dr. Michael Curry, Chief Operational Officer, and Dr. Rochelle Clark, Superintendent	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Asbestos containing materials have been utilized on mechanical system equipment in the boiler room at South Shores Elementary School. During previous projects, the original heating system and boiler have been replaced and rendered defunct. The boiler remains in the boiler room. Dismantling of the defunct boiler will allow the boiler room space to be better utilized as storage for the building. Prior to dismantling the boiler, the asbestos containing materials must be removed by an IDPH licensed asbestos abatement contractor under the supervision of an IPDH licensed asbestos consultant.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS:

Three (3) contractors submitted bids. Great Western Abatement submitted the most responsible low bid of \$82,518.00 to perform the asbestos abatement work. The abatement supervision will be provided by Alliance Illinois (DPS’s long-standing asbestos consultant) under a separate agreement.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

These services will be paid out of Fund 60 or 90.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration respectfully requests that the Board of Education award the bid to Great Western Abatement of Jerseyville, Illinois in the amount of \$82,518.00 to perform Asbestos Abatement in the South Shores Boiler Room as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- Approval
- Information
- Discussion

BOARD ACTION: _____

June 21, 2024

Mr. Kent Metzger
Director, Buildings and Grounds
Decatur C.U.S.D. #61
101 West Cerro Gordo
Decatur, IL 62523

RE: Letter of Recommendation for the 2024 Asbestos Abatement of the South Shores Elementary School Boiler Room, Contract A-1, DPS #61, Decatur, IL.

Dear Mr. Metzger,

Alliance, Illinois has reviewed the bids for the 2024 Asbestos Abatement of the South Shores Elementary School, Contract A-1, DPS #61, Decatur, IL.

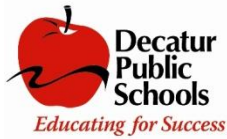
Based upon our review of the bid and our past experiences with the Great Western Abatement, we recommend that Great Western Abatement, 27298 Hagen Road, Jerseyville, IL be selected as the abatement contractor for contract A-1 for the sum of \$82,518.00 which includes a cash allowance of \$5,000.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



Robert Talavera
Alliance, Illinois



Board of Education Decatur Public School District #61

Date: July 09, 2024	Subject: Pershing Early Learning Center Fence Project
Initiated By: Sarah Knuppel, Principal at Pershing Early Learning Center and Dr. Mike Curry, Chief Operational Officer	Attachments: Estimate
Reviewed By: Dr. Rochelle Clark, Superintendent	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Every three years, Pershing Early Learning Center is monitored by the Illinois State Board of Education for compliance with the requirements of the Early Childhood Block Grant. This monitoring visit utilizes the Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS) to rate the quality of the learning environment. In the most recent monitoring visit (2023), one identified area for improvement was outdoor spaces for gross motor play, specifically the number of areas for gross motor play, as well as the safety of the fencing borders of the gross motor spaces.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS:

Pershing is recommending improvements and/or replacement of current fencing around existing playgrounds, as well as the addition of new fencing to create two new playground areas that are compliant with the ECERS scale.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

ISBE has provided additional funding specifically for the fencing project at Pershing. There will be no costs incurred by the District.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration respectfully requests that the Board of Education approve the Fencing Project at Pershing Early learning Center as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- Approval
- Information
- Discussion

BOARD ACTION: _____



General Fence Company

June 20, 2024

Decatur School District
Pershing School

RE: Fence Estimate

This is to serve as our estimate to do the following work at your facility:

- 1) Install 360' of 6' tall 9ga. core fusion bonded black vinyl chain link fence with (1) 14' double drive gate, (1) 12' double drive gate and (2) 5' walk gates.

Total \$17,460.00

- 2) Remove 360' of 4' existing chain link fence, re-use the wire and toprail to install 640' of 4' tall 9ga. fusion bonded black vinyl chain link fence with (3) 10' double drive gates, (1) 8' double drive gate, (1) 6' walk gate and (2) 5' walk gates.

Total \$22,182.00


The cost to tear out the existing fence is \$2160.00 additional.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Guerrero

When Quality Counts, Call the General!

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