

Construction Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/20/11, 3:00PM, Meeting #4

**Attended:**

Kathrine Soscia (KS), Chris Hanley (CH), Suzanne Johnson (SJ), Jennifer Bollerman (JB), Kim Giery (KG), Tracee Ugenti (TU), Vincent Rodgers (VR), Jan Miller (JM)Nicole Turzillo(NT), Lafon (Friends member), Bob Viola (BV), Sandpebble (SBI), Construction Committee (CC).

In the interest of time the previous meeting minutes were not discussed.

BV: Understands that the Board of Trustees will not make a decision at 7/20 meeting but may elect to have a Special Meeting to hire the A/E Team in the next two weeks. BV suggests that the CC meet next week in order to complete the recommendation process for the Landscape Architect and Civil Engineer.

CC: Some expression of frustration about the Conceptual Design Charrette held on 7/16. Some Committee members stated that while it was a long, tiring day, the wrap up was too short but all agreed that there was a resulting product of the day: Outcomes and Patterns and an understanding of Design Professionals attending in order for the CC to make a recommendation to the Board.

BV: Post the flip chart notes from the Charrette to discuss the Outcomes and Patterns.

SJ: Questions Outcomes and Patterns (O/P) as recorded.

KS: Offered revisions to the OP: Insert the word "visible" in the line about cars in front of the Library, and clarify that the Children's Library needs to remain on the first floor but not necessarily in the southwest corner and perhaps the main entry is relocated to satisfy the desire to distance the Children's from the entry. A copy of the revised O/P is attached to these minutes. Revisions accepted by CC.

BV: Starts a review and attempts to have the CC come to consensus per line item on the A/E scorecards.

JP: Recommends foregoing the line items and have a discussion about the overall merits/deficiencies of each of the Design professionals. All agreed.

BV: Asks each CC member for their overall impression of each and to vote first, second and third in order to come to a majority vote.

BV: Reminds the CC that the Charrette was not a design competition and that the entire Design Team works for LPL and the Community without any of them pushing for their "vision" of what LPL building project should be. The discussion progressed to the amount of library specific design experience any of the architectural candidate have. BV stresses to the CC that this may not be as important when considered within the context of the Community and subsequent design team Charrette processes. All professionals work for LPL and the Community and will be held accountable to the approved budget and the O/P. This project is about LPL and is not a Website builder for anyone.

JP: Who will ensure that the wishes, goals, O/P will be represented in the final designs?

BV: SBI will manage the Design Team along the lines of the Goals, O/P and advocate on behalf of LPL and the Community. All Design Charrettes are open to the CC members, Staff, Board, and Community. BV encourages continued participation from all throughout the design process.

CC: First round of voting after each member gave their vote with a back up narrative as to why they felt the way they did the outcome of the vote was: 8 first place votes for Michielli & Wyetzner and 3 first place votes for Gisolfi and Associates. After continued discussion, CH in the spirit of majority rule changed his vote for Michielli making the total; 9 first place for Michielli

and 2 first place votes for Michielli. SJ agreed that the majority votes of the CC should rule. BHC received the least votes, (no first place votes from the CC) and many negative comments about the representatives of this company.

CC: MEP Engineers were reviewed in the same fashion as Architects; overall impression only. CH had left the meeting by then but had given his vote prior to the start of this procedure. Half of the CC abstained from voting stating that they did not interact enough with either and had no feeling either way. The tally of those that voted was 3 first place votes for each candidate; Altieri and Strunk.

BV: Suggest to the CC that, since the vote is even and both firms are qualified to meet the LPL criteria, the engineer with the lowest cost should be awarded. This was agreed to by the CC and SBI is completing the leveling sheet for all the professionals in order for the CC to make their final recommendation to the Board.

JB: Makes a motion for the Board of Trustees of LPL accept the recommendation of the CC and engage Michielli & Wyetzner as the project Architects. Motion seconded and approved by the CC.

BV: Hand out binders to the CC with copies of the responses to the RFP for Landscape Architecture and Civil Engineering. The CC was asked to review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Board at the next meeting for acceptance of whatever the outcome will be of the voting for overall impression.

The next CC meeting will be: 7/27 at 3:00 PM. Room TBD.

This represents a recap of the meeting to the best of my understanding. Please make your comments by 7/22 or the information will become a matter of record.