

SPECIAL BOARD
BUSINESS:

Award Classroom
Wing Remodel Bid

Mr. Nielson stated that the ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) funds received for the Classroom Wing remodel project must be expended by September of this year and committed in the form of a contract no later than March 15. This project was bid according to federal guidelines. Six companies submitted bids: Bateman-Hall of Idaho Falls, Idaho; Delta Construction of Laramie, Wyoming; FCI Constructors of Cheyenne, Wyoming; Mid Valley General Contractors of Riverton, Wyoming; SDI General Contractors of Lander, Wyoming; and Sletten Construction of Cody, Wyoming. Under the base bid amount, Sletten Construction submitted the lowest responsible bid at \$1,252,000. The only anomaly identified was the base bid from FCI Constructors for \$1,403,000. The bid was written out in words as one million four hundred thousand three hundred dollars. The bid document states that if there is a discrepancy between the words and the numbers written on a bid, the bid amount will favor the words. The bids received were a hard cost for the construction identified in the bid documents. One requirement after the bids were opened was that the contractors had to submit a list of subcontractors within 24 hours, and Sletten Construction did submit their list.

Mr. Nielson recommended that the base bid in the amount of \$1,252,000, Bid Alternate 1-1 for \$50,500, Mechanical Alternate 1 for \$43,800, and Bid Alternate 3 for \$23,300 for a total of \$1,369,600 be awarded to Sletten Construction. Bid Alternate 1-1 is for the math computer lab, Mechanical Alternate 1 is for control valves so that all of the mechanical controls in the remodeled and peripheral areas will have the same controls, and Alternate 3 is for interior doors, hardware, and door locks so that they will all be the same.

For the project budget, Mr. Nielson recommended that the remaining funds of \$160,629 be set aside as contingency. This amount is 11.7 percent of the construction cost which is not very high for this project. Owner paid project costs include plan review and testing in the amount of \$50,000; asbestos abatement in the amount of \$25,000; and furniture, fixtures, and equipment in the amount of \$100,000 for a total of \$175,000. If the asbestos abatement is bid out following the bid requirements, the college may be able to include it in the ARRA funding.

All of the colleges received significant allocations like this. The funds that are not bid by March 15 will be reallocated. One of the colleges will return \$200,000 because they didn't use it. It is possible that CWC may be able to get

more ARRA funding but won't know until mid-March or early April. If more money becomes available, the college can try to request it.

Mr. Welty asked what the amount is that the board is being requested to approve. Mr. Nielson replied that the total award is \$1,369,600. Ms. Pedersen asked if some of the existing lab cabinetry will be repurposed. Mr. Nielson indicated that the college is trying to salvage as much of the cabinetry as possible. Dr. Crane asked if the bid alternates will be done if the college gets the extra money. Mr. Nielson replied that the alternates would be done, and the other two computer labs may be picked up. He would also like to look at putting a new roof on the Classroom Wing. These are the two primary areas if the money becomes available.

Ms. Mills asked if any of the subcontractors were local. Mr. Nielson replied that one of the major mechanical subcontractors is Spriggs Sheet Metal Contractors of Lander, and the electrical subcontractor is Intermountain Electric of Riverton.

Dr. McFarland recommended that the board award the base bid for the Classroom Wing remodel project to Sletten Construction of Cody, Wyoming, in the amount of \$1,252,000 plus Bid Alternate 1-1, Mechanical Alternate 1, and Bid Alternate 3 for a total of \$1,369,600.

ACTION:

Mr. Welty moved to award the base bid for the Classroom Wing remodel project to Sletten Construction of Cody, Wyoming, in the amount of \$1,252,000 plus Bid Alternate 1-1, Mechanical Alternate 1, and Bid Alternate 3 for a total of \$1,369,600. Dr. Crane seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with 5 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Dr. McFarland recommended that the board approve the construction budget for the Classroom Wing remodel project as outlined in the board packet.

ACTION:

Ms. Pedersen moved to approve the construction budget for the Classroom Wing remodel project as outlined in the board packet. Ms. Mills seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with 5 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business for the special meeting, Chair Gose adjourned the special meeting at 5:53 p.m.

Secretary

APPROVAL:

Chair