

January 10, 2019

Ms. Ruth Huck Board Secretary Warren County Career Center 6820 Market Street Russell, PA 16345

RE: PLANCON PART E: DESIGN DEVELOPMENT

PROJECT NO.:

3908

PROJECT BUILDING NAME:

Warren County Career Center

TYPE WORK:

Additions/Alterations

COUNTY:

Warren

BOARD ACTION:

August 27, 2018

Dear Ms. Huck:

The materials for PlanCon Part E, "Design Development," have been reviewed and appear to meet the requirements of the school laws of Pennsylvania and the policies and regulations of the State Board of Education. The Design Development is generally approved.

This approval is based on a limited review of the documents submitted. If information reviewed subsequent to this approval violates law, policy or procedure, the Department reserves the right to rescind any and all approvals materially affected.

Please note that the Requirements listed on PlanCon Part F, Page F-17, must be written in the Construction Specifications. You are further advised that in all school buildings erected after May 1, 1925, or buildings leased or used for school purposes, all entrance and exit doors, as well as all doors leading to or from all regular, special, or general rooms, shall open outward, in accordance with 24 P.S. § 7-739.

The PlanCon Part F, "Construction Documents," may now be prepared and submitted upon their completion at the final review conference, according to PlanCon Pages F01 and F02. The district's architect should call the Division of School Facilities at 717.787.5993 to schedule the review conference. Any substantial changes in the design must be discussed with the Division at your earliest convenience.

Section 731 of the Public School Code of 1949 states that no public school building shall be contracted for, constructed, or reconstructed, in any school district of the second, third, or fourth class until plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Education. Departmental approval of final plans and specifications only occurs upon the issuance of written approval of PlanCon Part F, "Construction Documents." For the Philadelphia City and Pittsburgh School Districts, PlanCon Part F must be approved by the department prior to entering into contracts for a school construction project to qualify for state reimbursement. Failure to comply with the applicable statutory or departmental requirement will result in denial of reimbursement for this project.

The district should be aware that Departmental approval of PlanCon Part F for this project does <u>not</u> guarantee reimbursement for this project. This project will be deemed

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eligible for reimbursement only upon written approval of PlanCon Part G, "Project Accounting Based on Bids." Calculation of the temporary reimbursable percent for the project's financing occurs at PlanCon Part H, "Project Financing." The permanent reimbursable percent is calculated at PlanCon Part J, "Project Accounting Based on Final Costs."

This document should be entered into the minutes of the next board meeting.

Sincerely,

James E. Vogel, Division Chief
Division of School Facilities

Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management

cc: HHSDR Architects/Engineers
Project File – 3908
Architectural File
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