

# Overview Superintendent's Advisory HMS New Construction Community Task Force

## **Purpose**

To oversee the expenditure of public funds for the HMS construction project, to be an advisory team for the District administration, to ensure that construction is responsive to the Board of Education's desires and in line with what voters approved, and to support successful completion of the project. This group is intended to be collaborative, working together on behalf of taxpayers and in cooperation with District personnel and hired professionals. The task force does not have decision making authority. Their task is limited to the construction of a new Hinsdale Middle School.

The task force may be asked to perform the following actions:

- Monitor project budgets and expenditures
- Make recommendations for budget modifications and contingency expenditures
- Review bids and bid documents and make recommendations regarding the awarding of bids
- Make recommendations regarding staff latitude for decision making on the construction project
- Review change orders
- Monitor and make recommendations to District administration regarding construction schedules
- Conduct further study and analysis as requested by the Board and or District administration

## **Membership**

The Superintendent is seeking individuals with education and/or experience related to architecture, commercial construction, facilities, finance, and/or education.

- Dr. Don White, District 181 Superintendent (Task Force Chair)
- TBA, Owner's Representative
- Gary Clarin, Resident (Board member; Representative from the Board of Education Facilities Committee)
- Jerry Mejdrich, Resident (Representative from the Board of Education Finance Committee)
- Paul Sporleder, Parent
- Fred Regnery, Resident
- Steve Cashman, Parent
- Kathleen Turnbull, Parent
- Brian Guerin, Resident
- Craig Cassell, Parent

### Task Force Parameters

- This task force is not subject to the Illinois Open Meetings Act; meetings will not be audio recorded.
- The task force will support development of status reports made available to the public.
- It is anticipated that this task force will meet one time per month for the duration of the project, a period from December 2016 through approximately December 2018. Meetings may be called more or less frequently by the Superintendent or his/her designee. The meeting schedule may be modified as needed to most effectively align with the construction schedule.
- The District will provide a project overview during the first meeting.



## Member Bios Superintendent's Advisory HMS New Construction Community Task Force

## **Gary Clarin**

Mr. Gary Clarin is a resident of District 181 and the parent of three District graduates. He is also a Board of Education member and serves as the Chair of the Board Facilities Committee. He is President and Owner of Meilahn Manufacturing Company, a millwork company specializing in interior build-outs of commercial, public, and educational buildings from design to installation. His firm is a Certified Member of Architectual Woodwork Institute and a national member of the Architectual Woodwork Industry. Mr. Clarin holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance and an MBA from Keller Graduate School.

## Jerry Mejdrich

Mr. Jerry Mejdrich is a resident of District 181 and the parent of two District graduates. He is also a member of the Board Finance Committee. He is a retired school administrator, having served as Business Manager for Thornton Fractional High School, as well as Assistant Superintendent for Business and Acting Superintendent of Schools for Wheaton Warrenville District 200. He also served as construction manager for school districts in Orland Park and Glen Ellyn. Mr. Mejdrich was a construction manager for District 181, as well, overseeing the completion of Clarendon Hills Middle School and multiple renovation projects. He has a Bachelor's degree in Finance and an MBA from Loyola University Chicago.

#### Paul Sporleder

Mr. Paul Sporleder is a resident of District 181 and the parent of a Hinsdale Middle School student. He has more than 20 years of experience managing key projects and teams for diverse organizations, with expertise in expense control, cost reduction, scheduling, and process improvements. He has extensive technical expertise in Building Technologies included heating and ventilation control systems, fire and security systems, and building energy optimization. He is currently Operations Manager for Siemens Industry, Inc. Mr. Sporleder has a Bachelor's degree in Aviation Technology from Western Michigan University and a Master's degree in Industry Technology from Purdue University. He is also a certified Project Management Professional.

## Frederick Regnery

Mr. Frederick Regnery is a resident of District 181 and a graduate of Hinsdale Middle School. He is a Principal at Colliers International and leader in the firm's national logistics and transportation group. He has expertise in supply chain real estate, specifically site selection, labor analytics, real estate capital markets, structuring and negotiation of lease and sale transactions, and construction procurement. Prior to his current position, Mr. Regnery worked in corporate finance. He has a Bachelor's degree in Economics from College of the Holy Cross and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University.

### Steve Cashman

Mr. Steve Cashman is a resident of District 181 and the parent of a Clarendon Hills Middle School student; he is also a graduate of Hinsdale Junior High (the former HMS). He is also a member of the Board Facilities Committee. He is the Principal Architect and President of Cashman Stahler Group. He has more than 33 years of experience in design and construction, with special focus on the educational and institutional sector and expertise in the use of technology in architectural design. Mr. Cashman holds a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from the University of Notre Dame. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), the Council of Educational Facility Planners International (CEFPI), and the U.S. Green Building Council, and he is a USGBC LEED Accredited Professional, BD+C.



# Member Bios (Continued) Superintendent's Advisory HMS New Construction Community Task Force

## Kathleen Turnbull

Ms. Kathleen Turnbull is a resident of District 181 and the parent of students at Hinsdale Middle School, The Lane School, and Hinsdale Central High School. She is a part-time Of Counsel attorney with Pircher, Nicholas, & Meeks. During her career as a commercial real estate attorney, Ms. Turnbull has negotiated and drafted development agreements, construction loan documents, permanent financing documents, management agreements, and office and retail leases. She has also represented clients in connection with acquisitions and divestitures of commercial property and the formation of real estate joint ventures. Ms. Turnbull holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance and a Juris Doctor from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

#### Brian Guerin

Mr. Brian Guerin is a resident of District 181. He is currently an attorney with F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielson & Associates LLC, a general contracting, construction management, and design-build firm specializing in the building, civil, and transportation sectors. Mr. Guerin's experience includes work in commercial litigation, contract compliance, owner agreements, risk mitigation, public-private partnership agreements, and working with teams in negotiations. He has a Bachelor's degree in Government and International Studies from the University of Notre Dame and a Juris Doctor from DePaul University.

#### Craiq Cassell

Mr. Craig Cassell is a resident of District 181 and parent of a Madison School student. He serves as the Global Leader for the Cushman & Wakefield Education Practice Group, a full service, integrated advisory team focused on real estate solutions for the education sector. Mr. Cassell has over 15 years of commercial real estate advisory experience. In his current role, he is responsible for creating and implementing overall strategic planning initiatives for education entities, as well as benchmarking Key Performance Indicators for institutions. Prior to joining Cushman & Wakefield, Mr. Cassell served as Senior Vice President and Leader for the Education Practice Group at Grubb & Ellis Company. He has a Bachelor's degree in Finance and Marketing from Miami University of Ohio.