

**Ohio Facilities Construction Commission**  
**October 25, 2018 Meeting**  
**William McKinley Room, Statehouse**  
**1:30 PM**

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Chairman Keen called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Chairman Timothy Keen, Vice Chair Robert Blair, Representative Hambley, Representative Holmes, Bryanna Austin for Senator Manning and Nathaniel Shipman for Senator O'Brien.

**Adoption of the July 12, 2018 Minutes**

Vice Chair Blair moved to approve the July 12, 2018 minutes. Chairman Keen seconded the motion.  
Approval: Vote 2-0.

**Priority Order of Assistance List – Presented by Melanie Drerup – *Resolution 18-37***

Melanie Drerup presented the Priority Order of Assistance List October 2018 for Commission approval. The Priority Order of Assistance Guidelines specify an orderly process and the priority of how we award to school districts between the various state programs. The Commission also maintains a Priority Order of Assistance List based on those guidelines. The Commission last updated and approved this list in October 2017. Since that time, 6 districts were deleted from the list. All 6 have funded projects. Three districts from the 6 elected to segment were moved to the segmented list. No new districts were added to the priority list due to the large number of districts currently in active planning. Five districts were added to the segmented list and one district was deleted as the district is currently working on their final segment which completed the district. Four districts were removed from the lapsed list and a lapsed ENP as they were successful at the ballot and are now entering a project agreement. One district was deleted from the Vocational Facilities Assistance Program list as the project was approved by the Commission.

Chairman Keen stated there is a statute that calls for us to set a mechanism to decide who we are going to serve, how and when. Melanie Drerup responded our guidelines stipulate that. Chairman Keen added that every year by law, the Department of Education provides a ranking order of all 612 school districts for us. Our first and largest list is the CFAP Priority Order of Assistance List and those are the next school districts that would be eligible to be served. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct. Chairman Keen asked how far on the equity list have we reached with our CFAP Priority Order of Assistance List. Melanie Drerup responded we have reached the 82<sup>nd</sup> percentile on the equity list. Chairman Keen responded that means that we have either served the district, the district has chosen not to proceed when they were given an offer, a district would have liked to proceed but has not been able to raise the money or they have been placed on this list to give an indication of when in the near future we might get to them. All districts under

the 82<sup>nd</sup> percentile have been handled and so it is just the last 18% that we have not gotten to that are not in any of the categories that were previously mentioned. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct. Chairman Keen asked how many districts were on the priority list for CFAP. Melanie Drerup responded that since 2009 there were 233 districts. Chairman Keen added that we are currently at approximately 120 districts. There are a significant number of districts on this list that have been offered funding and have chosen not to proceed and then they hold their place on the list. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct.

Chairman Keen added the next list is the Segmented List. Chairman Keen understood that this is every district that has been offered funding that chose not to do a whole project, but to segment instead. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct with the exception that we have had 2 districts that have completed both of their segments. Chairman Keen commented that there are a number of districts who have chosen to segment their projects. They were offered funding and could have proceeded with a full project but chose to segment and will be looked at when available funding permits. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct.

Chairman Keen added the third list is our CFAP Lapsed district list. These are districts that were on this Priority List and said they would like to proceed, but they were unable to generate their local funding. They are removed from the Priority List and moved over to the Lapsed List. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct. Chairman Keen commented that there are a reasonable number of districts on this list as well, but again there have been many more who have subsequently returned from the Lapsed List and been funded and in fact, lapsed districts have a statutory path back to funding. Chairman Keen asked Melanie Drerup to explain that mechanism. Melanie Drerup responded 3318.054 allows the Commission to set the numbers for a district that has lapsed, and their numbers and scope of work are viable for 13 months so that they can go to the electorate and be certain that those are the values they need to pass. Once they have passed and when the Commission has funding, they are able to come back to the Commission, get the approval for funding, then we go to the Controlling Board and encumber those funds and enter into a project agreement. They have the highest priority in statute.

Chairman Keen added the fourth list that we have is the Exceptional Needs Program List. These are districts who came forward who were identified as eligible for the Exceptional Needs Program, but at their own choice did not proceed with that program or could not get money and we then keep them on a list. Melanie Drerup responded that those districts actually went to their voters and were not successful. Chairman Keen asked if they could not raise the money. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct.

Chairman Keen added the last list is the Vocational Facilities Assistance Program and the districts that are next in line for vocational facility funding. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct.

Chairman Keen stated that the Priority List is an important document that helps us understand and helps school districts understand given the funding that is provided to the Commission where districts stand in the que for future projects. Melanie Drerup responded that was correct.

Representative Hambley and Representative Holmes asked for a printed copy of the list. Melanie Drerup responded that we would provide a hard copy of the list for them.

Vice Chair Blair moved to approve Resolution 18-37.

Chairman Keen seconded the motion.

Approval: Vote 2-0.

**ELPP Master Facilities Plan and Project Agreement Approval**

**Presented by Steve Roka – Resolution 18-38**

Steve Roka presented an ELPP Master Facilities Plan and Project Agreement for Commission approval.

Maser Facilities Plan:

School District (County)	Project Scope	Project Budget
Little Miami LSD (Warren)	Build one new elementary school. Renovations/additions to two middle schools and one high school/career tech. Abate/demolish 3 elementary schools.	\$18,849,992 State Share
		\$75,399,970 Local Share
		<b>\$94,249,962 TOTAL</b>

Project Agreement:

School District (County)	Discrete Portion Project Scope	Discrete Portion Project Budget
Little Miami LSD (Warren)	Build one new elementary school. Partial renovations/additions to two middle schools and one high school/career tech.	<b>\$ 51,630,563</b>

Chairman Keen asked if the \$51M was for all the buildings or is that just the portion they plan to do under ELPP. Steve Roka responded it was the portion they plan to do under ELPP and they will be doing work at all four facilities. Chairman Keen asked if there were additional facilities beyond these. Steve Roka responded there were no additional facilities. Chairman Keen asked if they were doing everything under ELPP. Steve Roka responded not all the scope of work was being done under ELPP, but 75% of it. Chairman Keen added there is some additional work that perhaps in the future when they get to use CFAP for the work left to be done. Steve Roka responded that was correct.

Vice Chair Blair moved to approve Resolution 18-38.  
 Chairman Keen seconded the motion.  
 Approval: Vote 3-0.

**Executive Director Report**

Jeff Westhoven reported on behalf of Director Williamson. He reported since the last meeting there were 2 school district groundbreakings and 13 school dedications and 2 Cultural Facilities dedications. Three school districts were closed out. One project was initiated under the School Performance Contracting program (HB264) for Amanda Clearcreek LSD (Fairfield). There was an Executive Director Delegation of Authority for a storm shelter amendment for Fremont CSD (Sandusky).

Contracts executed since the July 2018 meeting for agency, higher education and cultural Grants projects totaling approximately \$65.4M and the K-12 program projects totaling approximately \$158.4M. To date 1,582 facilities have been constructed or renovated between the K-12 program, state agencies, colleges/universities and cultural facilities. There are 194 projects currently in construction for that same group with a total dollar value of \$2.17B.

A snapshot of the agency's performance metrics was presented. Among the key figures were 88.9% of projects finishing on budget and 77.8% of projects on or ahead of schedule, which were much improved over the metrics from years prior to construction reform. The agency outperformed the rest of the state on the EDGE program, achieving 11.6% compared to the statewide goal of 5%. Other metrics included agency facility condition assessments, enrollment projection accuracy, contract processing times, financial closeouts, and cultural facilities projects.

The Auditor of State completed its FY17 audit of the commission, and there were no material findings and five non-material comments.

In place of the traditional project spotlight, Jeff Westhoven presented a highlight summary of the commission's work, thanking the General Assembly and executive branch for their support over the years. Beginning with the K-12 program, 61% of Ohio public school districts are complete or partially completed through the commission's work. According to the National Council on School Facilities, Ohio is among the top 5 states in state funding support of local school buildings over the past 20 years. The slides showed a compilation of local news stories about newly constructed schools, emphasizing the importance of these projects to local communities. Ohio's School Design Manual has been used as a model for at least three other state programs (Washington, Arkansas and Wyoming). Ohio continues to lead the country with 321 LEED certified schools, far ahead of second-place California. These schools are designed as high-performance learning environments with flexible spaces.

The General Assembly created three new school grant programs within OFCC. The School Security Grant Program was very popular, with 3,386 buildings participating in two rounds of funding, representing about an 80% participation rate among Ohio schools. The Lead Plumbing Grant Program had performed more than 15,000 drinking water tests, with about 9% of tests above the federal action level for lead. The testing and fixture replacements were eligible for reimbursement under the program. The Community Schools grant program is a competitive grant program with only high-performing schools eligible. About \$21M has been awarded under this program.

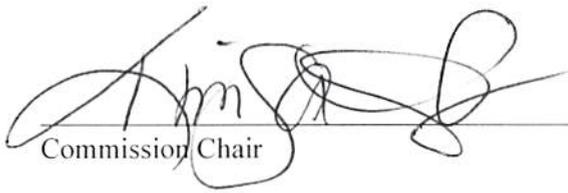
Improvements under construction reform were highlighted in the next slides. The agency has been tracking on-time and on-budget metrics since before construction reform in 2011-2012, and there are now 69% more projects finishing on budget and five times as many projects finishing on time. 93% of public owners have chosen the new construction delivery methods that were not available prior to construction reform, which is validation that it is working.

### **Public Testimony**

There was no public testimony.

Chairman Keen recognized and thanked the Commission Secretary, Carolyn McClure for her 30 years of State service. She will be retiring December 31, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM.



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Commission Chair



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These meeting minutes were prepared by  
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