

Attn: Brian Pelletier, Manager of Facility Maintenance and Capital
Lambton Kent District School Board
200 Wellington Street
Sarnia, Ontario, N7T 7L2

Date: May 5, 2023

Re: **Brooke Central PS – Structural Upgrades Progress Update**
BGAI Project No: 222727

At the point of the last update, the Project Team was expecting the Issued for Construction (IFC) drawings for the structural upgrades in the 2007 section and the IFC drawings from the other consultants coordinated for the 1960 and 1967 buildings within the week. The Contractor was well into the structural updates in the 1960 and 1967 sections of the Brooke Central PS building. This letter is a progress update of the project status.

Progress Update:

DC Buck Engineering provided IFC drawings for the structural upgrades for the 2007 section of the building within the expected timeframe from our last update. They are now assisting with construction reviews and responding to questions that arise during construction.

Burkhart Gilchrist Architects Inc. (BGAI) and Collins Frazer Engineering (CFE) provided IFC drawings for the coordination of the revised ceiling plans in relation to the required structural scope of the 1960 and 1967 sections of the building within the expected timeframe of our last update. The IFC drawings for the 2007 section of the building have also been coordinated and issued. BGAI and CFE are assisting with construction reviews and responding to questions that arise during construction.

Wellington Builders is close to completing the structural steel upgrades in the 1960 and 1967 sections of the building and has started on the ceiling installations. It is expected that the 1960 and 1967 sections will be completed by the end of May 2023.

The 2007 building section will be reinforced during the summer of 2023. Structural upgrades will be starting in the Gymnasium portion of the 2007 section of the building in early June of 2023.

Current Actions:

The Project Team is meeting every two weeks to review progress.

The Contractor continues to work under a roof load monitoring program for the entire roof at Brooke Central Public School.

The Project Team is working with the County of Lambton Building Department to proceed with construction as IFC drawings are made available. Reviews for Building Permit are ongoing concurrently with procurement and construction activities.

Next Steps:

BGAI continues to be the Contract Administrator for LKDSB. The Consultants are involved in General Review of construction for purposes of the Building Permit requirements.

Wellington Builders is working towards finishing the 1960 and 1967 sections of the building by the end of May 2023 and will be starting the Gymnasium in June 2023. The remainder of the 2007 section of the building will be upgraded during the summer of 2023.

Western Fire Protection are installing sprinklers throughout the 1960 and 1967 portions of the building. They will be working with Wellington Builders to complete sprinkler work in coordination with the ceiling replacement work.

We want to assure LKDSB and the families of Brooke Central that the project team is prioritizing this project to remedy the problem and to restore the Brooke Central families back to this school.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ruth Burkhart', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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