

DESIGNER SELECTION BOARD
MINUTES OF THE 1104th MEETING, WEDNESDAY MAY 21, 2025, VIA ZOOM.

1. ROLL CALL:

The Designer Selection Board Meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Boyle, Chair	Public Member
David Carlson, V-Chair	Registered Architect
Michael Chavez	Registered Architect
Arthur Choo	Registered Architect
Lyris Liautaud	Registered Engineer
Khalil Mogassabi	Registered Architect
Severino Luna	Registered Engineer
Lindsay Richard	Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Devin Hurson	Registered Engineer
Sam Liao	Registered Engineer
David Capaldo	General Contractor

Present for the DSB staff, Simone A. Early, Executive Director Claire G. Hester, Program Coordinator III and Roberto Melendez, Program Coordinator II.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion to approve the minutes of the 1103rd meeting of the Board on Wednesday May 7, 2025, was made by David Carlson, seconded by Arthur Choo. Motion was approved.

3. REGISTERED VISITORS:

Jen Gould	Westfield State University
Tom Therrien	Westfield State University
Bryan Forrette	Westfield State University
Gary Duggan	Westfield State University
Matthew Tremblay	WSP
Natalia Gilio	Stantec
Daniel Hurley	WSP
Valeria Gonzalez	F-T
Abdullah Khaliqi	F-T
Nicole Owens	Amenta Emma
Doreen Bennett	RGB
Caroline Fitzgerald	RMF
Altaf Mulla	Altaf Mulla
Kait Kingman	Habeeb Architects
Allison Goodwin	Habeeb Architects
Kristina Kashanek	Jones Architects
Owen Salerno	MDS
Tamara Macuch	Habeeb Architects
Malvin Wibowo	Studio Enee
Aarathi Nirmalan	CannonDesign
Samantha Robinson	B2Q
Madison Pixley	Tighe & Bond
Theodora Dimov	Amenta Emma
Paul Banks	B2Q
Jennifer Wells	DiMella Shaffer
Hilary Williams	ARUP
Karina Mallaeva	TSKP
Julia Chartier	RFS Engineering
Brenna Sapienza	DCAMM
Jessica Montagna	Tighe & Bond
Ellen Thompson	Isgenuity
Pamela Merrill	RFS Engineering
Danielle Mercier	CES Engineering
Ashley Solomon	Dietz Architects
Susan Elmore	Cambridge Seven
Alexandra Baccari	DiMella Shaffer
Sela Bailey	BIA Studio
Monique Twitty	IMEG
Tom Iskra	Salas O'Brien
Arleen Guyan	C.A. Crowley
Ned Earle	DCAMM

Miles McDonald	Salas O'Brien
Stephanie Beals	TSKP
Joanna Morlot	Habeeb Architects
Ashley Loprete	RFS Engineering
Diana Cioffari	Matz Collaborative
Ami Meachum	IMEG
Jennifer Hunt	Matz Collaborative
Jay Toutant	CannonDesign
David Lunny	Stantec
Susan Morgan	CannonDesign
Mike Sears	NV5
Steve Habeeb	Habeeb Architects
Kevin Moriarty	DiMella Shaffer
Tiffany Yu	DCAMM
Gregory Karambelas	CannonDesign
Ariana Surabian	F-T
Elisabeth Mansfield	Goody Clancy

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. DSB List #25-06, DSBA-35, Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades at Westfield State University, ECC: Varies Per Project: Not to exceed authority delegated pursuant to M.G.L. c7C §5, for an individual project. Maximum Fee Per Contract (based on the scope of work & services authorized, shall not exceed) \$2,000,000, 26 Applicants

Representing Westfield State University were Jen Gould, Tom Therrien, Bryan Forrette and Gary Duggan. They were present to explain the Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades, Westfield State University House Doctor project and answered questions from the Board.

a. Review

Review of the twenty-six (26) applications resulted in determination that six (6) of the applicants had failed to meet the requirements of providing no fewer than 3 evaluations and/or references with their application and could not be considered for this project:

- Emerald Design Build. – No evaluations. 1 reference
- Linea 5, Inc. – No references. No evaluations.
- Mount Vernon Group Architects, Inc. – No references. No evaluations.
- RGB Architects – No references. No evaluations.
- Studio Enee – No references. No evaluations
- VIVO Architecture, Inc. – No references. No evaluations.

A motion was made by David Carlson to disqualify the above-mentioned firms for the Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades, Westfield State University House Doctor project, seconded by Michael Chavez. Motion was approved.

The following twenty (20) applications met the project requirements of the advertisement:

Amenta Emma Architects
 Analogue Studio
 BIA Studio
 BL Companies New England, Inc.
 Cambridge Seven
 Caolo & Bieniek Associates, inc.
 DCVL Design
 Dietz & Company Architects, inc.
 DiMella Shaffer Associates, Inc.
 Goody Clancy Architecture, Inc.
 Habeeb & Associates Architects
 Jones Architecture, Inc.
 Kuth Ranieri Architects
 Matz Collaborative Architects, Inc.
 MDS/Miller Dyer Spears
 Meander Studio, Inc.
 Pfeufer Richardson Architects, PC
 Stantec Architecture & Engineers, PC
 Thoughtcraft Architects
 West Work

b. Public Comments

None

c. Project Voting and Ranking

The following firms displayed considerable skills and similar experiences. In accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Section 49, the Board voted to select the following four (4) unranked finalists for the Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades, Westfield State University House Doctor project:

Amenta Emma Architects
Goody Clancy Architecture, Inc.
MDS/Miller Dyer Spears
Pfeufer Richardson Architects, PC

Motion was made by Severino Luna to select the unranked firms above for the Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades, Westfield State University House Doctor project, seconded by David Carlson. Motion was approved.

The immediate service authorized are a draft study, certifiable study, schematic plans and outline specifications, design development and specifications, construction plans and specifications, and administration of construction contract.

B. DSB List #25-07, DSBA-36, Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements at Westfield State University, ECC: Varies Per Project: Not to exceed authority delegated pursuant to M.G.L. c7C §5, for an individual project. Maximum Fee Per Contract (based on the scope of work & services authorized, shall not exceed) \$2,000,000, 25 Applicants

Representing Westfield State University were Jen Gould, Tom Therrien, Bryan Forrette and Gary Duggan. They were present to explain the Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements, Westfield State University House Doctor project and answered questions from the Board.

d. Review

Review of the twenty-five (25) applications resulted in determination that eight (8) of the applicants had failed to meet the requirements of providing no fewer than 3 evaluations and/or references with their application and could not be considered for this project:

- Affiliated Engineers, Inc. – No evaluations. 2 references
- AI Engineers – No references. No evaluations.
- Consulting Engineering Services, LLC – No evaluations. 2 references
- Hallam-ICS – No references. No evaluations.
- Hesnor Engineering Associates, PLLC – No evaluations. 2 references
- VAV International, Inc. – No references. No evaluations.
- Waldron – No references. No evaluations.

A motion was made by David Carlson to disqualify the above-mentioned firms for the Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements, Westfield State University House Doctor project, seconded by Michael Chavez. Motion was approved.

- Fitzemeyer & Tocci Associates, Inc. – No resume for John Vaz at EFI Global. No project experience for EFI Global. On a motion by David Carlson to disqualify Fitzemeyer & Tocci Associates, Inc. for the Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements, Westfield State University House Doctor project, seconded by Lindsay Richard. Motion was approved.

The following seventeen (17) applications met the project requirements of the advertisement:

B2Q Associates, Inc.
Bard, Rao + Athanas Consulting Engineers
BVH Integrated Services – A Salas O'Brien Company
CannonDesign
Clough Harbour & Associates, LLP
Delta Wye Critical Solutions, LLC
DM Engineers, PLLC
EDM Engineering & Landscape Architecture, PC
Hill-LiRo Corp.
IMEG
NV5 Planning & Design, Inc.
R.W. Sullivan Engineering
Rist-Frost-Shumway Engineering, PC

RMF Engineering, Inc.
STV, Inc.
Tighe & Bond Designer Services, Inc.
WSP USA

e. Public Comments

None

f. Project Voting and Ranking

The following firms displayed considerable skills and similar experiences. In accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Section 49, the Board voted to select the following four (4) unranked finalists for the Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements, Westfield State University House Doctor project:

CannonDesign
EDM Engineering & Landscape Architecture, PC
R.W. Sullivan Engineering
Tighe & Bond Designer Services, Inc.

Motion was made by Severino Luna to select the unranked firms above for the Study & Design for Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Alarm/Protection Renovations, Repairs & Site Improvements, Westfield State University House Doctor project, seconded by David Carlson. Motion was approved.

The immediate service authorized are a draft study, certifiable study, schematic plans and outline specifications, design development and specifications, construction plans and specifications, and administration of construction contract.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

- Notification of Continued Services for DSB list #22-33, Holyoke Community College Marieb Hall Renovations - DiMella Shaffer Associates, Inc. This is for informational purposes only. No action by the Board.
- Notification of Team Change for DSB List #19-26, Office of Campaign & Political Finance Renovations – Leslie Saul (Advertised As: Study, Planning, Design & Construction of Statewide Offices & Workplace). This is for informational purposes only. No action by the Board.
- Re-appointment of Michael Chavez
- Simone discussed the search for a new Architect Board Member to replace Khalil Mogassabi. He will extend his term until a replacement has been appointment

6. MOTION TO ADJOURN: The Board adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting of May 21, 2025, by David Carlson, seconded by Severino Luna. Motion was approved.

7. NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. via ZOOM

Submitted by:

Claire H. Hester

Designer Selection Board Coordinator