On July 15th, 2009, the Board of Trustees approved the creation of Measure A bond project #3-35 “Health and Safety Projects” in the amount of $500,000.

The description of bond project is as follows:

“Project #3-35 is created to address the need for various health and safety improvements that are of immediate concern. Examples include organic chemistry ventilation; biology lab ventilation; science building(s) code issues; ceramics lab improvements; and photography lab improvements. The necessity for these projects has been confirmed by various 3rd party assessments. The exact scope of the work has yet to be finalized, and thus the project #3-35 budget may need to be adjusted in the future.”

The chemistry lab health and safety issue was identified as the most immediate concern. After much investigation and review, it has been determined that a new transitional modular science complex presents the best alternative and most economical approach to address the current health and safety concerns in the chemistry program.

This project is estimated to cost approximately $1.9 million. Combining this with safety improvements currently required at the Fremont ceramics lab brings the project total to $2,025,000.

Sources of funding for this augmentation will be Bond Unallocated Contingency $875,000 and Newark Center Contingency $650,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the augmentation of Measure A Bond Project #3-35 budget in the amount of $1,525,000.