

VIOLATION ABATEMENT

August 23, 2016

M.A.S.B. Members
50 North Arch St.
Montoursville, PA 17754

Re: Safety Code Violations

Dear Members,

I would like to take this time to bring you up to speed on the progress of correcting the safety code violations that were noted on the two previous letters.

Many of the code violations that were previously noted have been abated either through repairs being made or demolition of structures.

Working with the construction staff and the building maintenance staff throughout the summer has shown a lot of progress.

After prioritizing the list of noted items with all concerned staff, violations were corrected starting with the highest hazard and working our way to the lowest. Things that were identified as not necessarily a safety hazard but still a code violation not jeopardizing the students, will be addressed as construction and demolition proceeds. They were not directly addressed at this time, as we felt we should not throw good money after bad.

I did receive the engineering analysis of the 1931 building floor and roof systems. A repair plan has been submitted to and reviewed by our office. The main lobby floor is required to be repaired by the first day of school. This I was told will happen. As I have with all of the abatement, I will be conducting follow-up inspections.

I met with Dan Taormina, Mark and Rob from Lobar and Dick Castner from CRA to discuss the emergency exit plan for egress through/around the active construction site. I believe we have a very safe and efficient plan in place. I also met with Curtis from Lecce Electric to discuss the smoke/fire alarm system in the remaining existing structure. Under no circumstances will the building be any less protected than it was before renovations were started.

I feel that with the work that was completed, the school is a much safer building now than it was at the close of last school year. Even though there is still a bit of work to do to remove all of the violations, I see no reason why the students cannot return to classes this coming Thursday.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns and I will do my best to address them for you.

Sincerely,

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