

Modernization Forum Minutes

January 30, 2009

Meeting Location: Modernization Program Office Conference Room (2529)

Number of Attendees: 10

Modernization Progress Report:

- Wing 3 work is underway and approximately 20% complete. The project is currently on schedule for a January 9, 2010 completion.
- During January the focus will be on continuing abatement activities and utility rough-in work.
- Mural protection is fully in place for all murals within the Wing 3 Modernization space.
- Air quality (IAQ) 7 weeks of SMACNA scores of 98 or 99 – best scores ever.
- Construction noise: High decibel noise must stop at 8 AM Monday through Friday
- New Barricade Plan: Construction will start on East side of Wing 3
- Cafeteria: A final design from GSA is due late February 2009. The cafeteria is scheduled to reopen in Feb/March of 2010.
- Blast mitigation: Final design from GSA March 15, 2009 for window protection

Open Discussion:

1. Noise Complaints:

S. D'Antoni, Safety Manager, stated that only one noise complaint had been issued since December. The noise issue was a result of an elevator contractor working for the first time in the construction zone and was unaware of noise restrictions. The general contractor was quickly notified to stop the work and reminded of the importance to brief new contractors on the rules of operations regarding noisy work during allowable times.

2. Emergency Evacuation Plans

An employee expressed concerns that the 6th floor plans were not updated and some were missing. S. D'Antoni stated that the building's emergency evacuation plan(s) maps have been updated and displayed in each of 4 glass wall cases located on each floor. The emergency evacuation plan(s) now includes Wing 4 and the new fire stair well. Plus the plans depict the current barricades for Phase 4 (Wing 3) construction. A follow-up inspection found that all four of the 6th floor plans were posted and accurate. Employee was shown the plans and is satisfied.

3. Emergency Evacuation Routes

6th Floor – Emergency evacuation routes; how many are available? To be discussed at next meeting.

4. An employee stated that she has recently noticed a great improvement in the building's air quality.

G. Bindocci added that the new Barricades plan for Phase 4 construction significantly eliminates the noise and construction dust from entering the occupied building space.

Action Items for next meeting:

- 1. Review of Behind the Barricade Plan of the Week poster**
- 2. Overview of emergency evacuation routes**
- 3. Overview of design of new cafeteria with drawings**