

Twinsburg Board of Education Buildings & Grounds Subcommittee Meeting

Thursday, December 19, 2019

Twinsburg Board of Education Office ~ 5:30 p.m.

11136 Ravenna Road, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Tina Davis, Mark Curtis, Kathi Powers, Chad Welker

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes from March 13, 2019 Buildings & Grounds Meeting were approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Review of Summer Projects:

- Roofing repairs at RBC and THS were completed.
- Site improvements were completed at Transportation, RBC, Wilcox, Bissell and Dodge.
- Because of chiller issues at Bissell and Wilcox, HVAC was replaced.
- Did not purchase two (2) vans. One to replace the maintenance van which is over 10 years old and one for student transportation depending on special education/homeless situation needs. Want to evaluate long term needs further.
- Completed THS and RBC gymnasium floors.
- Music room carpet was done.
- Working through fire door project at RBC by the Library.
- Cleaning equipment was purchased.
- Inspections took place.
- PA systems were repaired.
- Radios across the district were updated. THS radios can now be used at the stadium.
- Updated PA systems at Tiger Stadium.
- Flexible furniture was purchased.
- Still need for additional parking at THS.

Memorial Garden:

- A group of community members, Mr. Joe Gregorino at the helm, have approached the District in regard to a Memorial Garden being created at Dodge. Mr. Gregorino's wife was a staff member and passed away a few years ago. There is currently a bench on the grounds in her memory but due to the location it is difficult to maintain the area in a respectful manner. There are also several other memorials on property but the concern is that when the kids pass on to other buildings the stories behind the people and memorials are lost. Would like to see a central location created for all the memorials in an area that will not be affected if a renovation project takes place at Dodge. Alicia Jones who lost her daughter, Courtney, is also interested in participating.
- There are approximately 25 memorials/plaques on District properties. The hope is to place all the memorials in a central location.
- Architectural drawings were presented as an idea.
- Art teachers would like to launch a project in January to have students enter their suggestion for a sculpture in the center of the garden.
- A logo for the garden was created by a THS student.
- Idea is to create a QRA code that would be connected to the District website where the stories

behind the individuals could be memorialized.

- After the passing of Courtney Jones, the students painted approximately 2,000 stones that would be placed around her memorial.
- Cost still needs to be calculated.
- Twinsburg Schools Foundation might be willing to be the fiscal agent for the project.
- Have reached out to welding class at CVCC to possibly create the sculpture.
- Committee agreed that it makes sense to have a centralized location, gave permission to move forward with project.
- Will proceed in January with reaching out to staff and students to begin.

Conceptual Legacy Project / Enrollment Study:

- Administration is in the process of gathering as much information as possible to present to the Board so a decision can be made regarding plans for the Conceptual Legacy Project.
- In order to get a better idea of future enrollment numbers to determine what type of building should occur, an enrollment study was prepared.
- Two reports were prepared. The Student Potential Analysis projected what the population might look like into the next 10 years. The Student Analysis Report looks at what additional land we have and tries to make projections on what can be done with the land.
- The analysis reported that the enrollment and population appears to remain pretty flat for the next 10 years.
- One downfall with the reports is that the Township was not included and this is where most of the available land and growth will occur.
- In summary, the projection shows an enrollment of 350 to 360 across all grade levels.
- Committee agrees that if building is to occur, adding a few extra classrooms now should be considered instead of having to add on later.
- Presentation of the reports will be made to the full Board in February.

Roofing Analysis:

- The roofing analysis showed that the District's preventative and repair work is extending the life of the roofs.
- There is currently a half million square feet of roofing across the District – valued at approximately 10 million dollars.
- The analysis concluded that the District office is in good shape; the biggest issue at RBC is the south wing; Dodge had one of the best roofs of all buildings; and Bissell and Wilcox only showed a few areas of wear around the roof drains.
- At THS the area of most concern was over the cafeteria. Does not pose an immediate danger but something that should be taken care of sooner than later. Quotes average around \$330,000. Should be a summer project if approved.
- The south wing of RBC should be addressed within the next couple years. The dome at RBC is a rubber roof and is well beyond its useful life. The reinforcing that was previously done has worked well. Addressing the entire roof within the next few years would be approximately \$1.5 to \$2 million just for RBC.
- THS would be approximately \$3 million at some point to address all areas.
- The District continues to work hard to stretch the roofs to their maximum life.
- Bissell and Wilcox are not of concern right now – they would just need some preventative maintenance done.
- A presentation to the full Board regarding the roofing conditions of buildings will be made in January.

Proposed Phone Survey:

- Received proposals from two companies: Triad and Fallon.
- Both do comparable work. Both proposals were comparable in price.
- A third company was also contacted but price was much greater than Triad and Fallon.
- The District has used Triad in the past.
- In order to complete the phone survey, voter registration information will be used, participants in parent groups and information from DASL the student database.
- The committee decided to use Fallon this time

Traffic Study:

- Concern over the congestion at Wilcox at pick up and drop off time was raised at the recent Labor Management meeting.
- Suggestion was made to do a traffic study for suggestions on what might be able to be done immediately and incorporated into the Conceptual Legacy Project.
- The funds for the traffic study will come from the Safety Grant awarded to the District. 360 degree cameras will also be purchased for the playgrounds from the Grant.
- Murphy Epsom will be conducting the study. They are a very reputable firm and they partner with a traffic engineering firm (Kliengers Group) to gather their data.
- They will make infrastructure and non-infrastructure suggestions for the District's consideration.
- Kathi has consulted with Chief Noga who is familiar with the firm and can assist with any possible training needed after recommendations are made.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Meeting Minutes approved on March 2, 2021