

# **BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Newville, Pennsylvania**

## **BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018**

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### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Buildings and Property Committee of the Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Large Group Room, Room 140, of the Big Spring High School at 6:02 P.M. with Richard Roush, Co-Committee Chairperson presiding. Nine (9) directors present: Richard Roush, Co-Committee Chairperson; William Piper, Co-Committee Chairperson; William Swanson, Committee Member; Wilbur Wolf, Jr., ex-officio Committee Member; David Gutshall, Committee Member; Kingsley Blasco, Todd Deihl, Bob Over, and Bob Kanc.

Kingsley Blasco arrived at 6:49 pm.

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin C. Roberts Jr., Assistant Superintendent; Richard Kerr, Business Manager; Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Rick Gilliam, Director of Buildings, Grounds, & Transportation; and Carol Frace, Board Minutes.

### **II. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **A. Reconfiguration Update**

Dr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent of Schools, provided updates to the Board of School Directors on the reconfiguration of grades. Transportation and cost analysis is being projected and should be available at the end of the month.

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Four additional rooms are needed at Mt. Rock in order for the grade reconfiguration to occur. Discussions are planned for the next six weeks to see if this is a direction the Board would like to go.

### **B. Project Update**

Mr. Chris Barnett, Crabtree Rohrbaugh and Mr. Michael Wadel, Diffenbaugh-Wadel led a discussion with the Board of School Directors on upcoming projects.

#### [Presentation](#)

##### **a. Newville Project**

- Exterior courtyard renovation
- Relocate HVAC
- Install emergency generator
- Site improvements  
(Replace parking lot, storm water at stadium, widen the dog path, address cinder track, and address district office drainage)

#### General Questions:

1. Mr. Wolf inquired about moving the wall. Will that require moving the earth?
2. Mr. Over asked if there is a grate and the water doesn't go anywhere, is this the problem that we are having with water coming into the building? If you run a pipe to that grate would that fix the problem?
3. Mr. Piper questioned the drainage from the north side of the middle school, back along the Ag area, maintenance area toward the stadium. The water that is draining from the roof and parking lot, what is your plan for this drainage?
4. Mr. Piper inquired if relocating the storm water would be a better solution.
5. Mr. Swanson asked about the practice field below the parking lot and if it is shale. Water should permeate through that area.

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**b. Mt. Rock Project**

- Summer of 2018
- Remove asbestos
- New roof, windows, doors
- VCT replacement
  
- Summer of 2019
- LGI tiered floor
- Upgrade communication in building
- Repair masonry/sealant
- Upgrade kitchen
- Upgrade technology
- Convert rooms
- Replace/relocate HVAC
- LED lighting
- Parking lot

**General Questions:**

1. Dr. Fry reminded the Board of School Directors of the timeframe for projects. Board approval asap so that we can receive bids in April for projects for the summer of 2018. These projects need to happen regardless of the reconfiguration.
2. Dr. Fry advised the Board of School Directors that the abatement at Mt. Rock will be handled differently than at Newville. We are going to put down the finished floor right after the abatement. This will eliminate all the dust.
3. Mr. Piper inquired if you are removing the asbestos this summer for the MS auditorium. This will include the walls and the tiles as well as removing the auditorium seating.
4. Mr. Roush informed the Board that the seats all have studs with nuts on them. A regular contractor can remove the seats after the asbestos contractor butts off all the studs. Pre bid meeting is scheduled for January 24 at 3:30 pm in the District Office. Bids are due January 31.
5. Dr. Fry informed the Board that we are having conversations with staff about what to do with the middle school auditorium. We have several ideas that we need to discuss. We are looking at seating 400 after the renovation.
6. Mr. Piper asked what is included at the high school auditorium for the \$447,500.

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7. Mr. Kanc inquired what the expected life spans for LED lights are.
8. Dr. Fry reminded the Board of School Directors that if you put this all together it is over the 16 million dollar budget that we set. We are around 17.1 million. We will need to hold discussions in order to stay within the budget.
9. Mr. Swanson questioned if Mt. Rock is the only elementary school that fits the grade reconfiguration the best.

### **C. Director Updates**

Mr. Rick Gilliam, Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation updated the Board of School Directors on upcoming projects, specifications and safety improvements.

- Mt. Rock and Middle School Abatement
- Replacement of the Mt. Rock Roof
- Pre Bid meeting February 1
- Bids due February 15<sup>th</sup>
- Coating of the High School Roof
- Pre bid – January 22
- Bids due – February 1
- Entire roof except pool and mechanical room
- Pedestrian Grant
- Pre Bid meeting January 24
- Bids due February 8

#### **General Questions:**

1. Mr. Roush informed the Board that the direction the Board is going with the roofs not all companies have products to support this.
2. Mr. Piper asked when we would be doing all the roofs.
3. Mr. Over inquired why we are replacing the roof. This is not a rubber replacement roof.

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4. Dr. Fry informed the Board the reason for the roof repair is leaking. This is a multi-roof system. We are only replacing the areas that are leaking. This is not a total replacement. The roof is out of warranty.
5. Mr. Piper inquired if the old roof where it means the new roof, it isn't going to leak.
6. Mr. Roush inquired if we are doing anything to the parts of the roof that we don't need to do anything.

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

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William L. Piper, Secretary