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The Board of Education of the Northridge Local School District met in a Special/Work Session on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 6:30 PM, in the Northridge High School Media Center in Johnstown, Ohio with the following individuals present: Mrs. Jayma Bammerlin, Mr. Richard Burkholder, Mr. Doug Hart, Mr. Chris Pokorny*, Mr. Jeffrey Schrock, Board Members; Dr. Chris Briggs, Local Superintendent; Mr. Britt Lewis, Treasurer; Building Administrators and other interested citizens and employees.

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 P.M. by Mr. Doug Hart, Board President followed by roll call for attendance and the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Mrs. Bammerlin, present; Mr. Burkholder, present; Mr. Pokorny, absent*; Mr. Schrock, present; Mr. Hart, present.

**Mr. Pokorny entered the meeting at 6:43PM.*

Vision, Mission, and Viking Values Statements

Vision Statement: *Our Vision is to ensure that every student reaches their fullest potential.*

Mission Statement: *Our Mission is to empower all students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be college and career ready.*

Viking Values: *Trust, Communication, Leadership, Collaboration, Respect, Integrity, Accountability*

Plan for Progress Work Session

Academic Committee – Dr. Briggs:

- Thanked everyone on the Finance and Facility committees who volunteer their time.
- The district has put together a plan for our students with our three focus groups, Academic, Facilities, and Finance Committees.
- Starting with the Implementation Phase of the Plan for Progress, we will begin calling the building a Learning Center. This allows for flexibility in the future.
- Survey Findings from calls to registered voters, completed in October 2015, had the following findings:
 - 80% of district residence do not have children attending school.
 - 45% of calls prefer a Pre K-6 building.
 - 53 % out of 45% were parents.
 - 56% preferred a centralized campus.
 - 41% said the Primary School needs replaced.
 - 32% said to remodel the Primary School.
 - 42% said to replace the Intermediate building.

Facilities Committee – Mr. Lewis:

- Dr. Briggs and Mr. Lewis met with each building/staff to discuss the plan for progress update.
- Primary building in Alexandria is in critical condition:
 - Plumbing (no company would work on the pipes when there was a critical leak. Our maintenance team did the best they could to repair at this time).
 - HVAC needed for air quality mitigation.
 - Roof needs repair or replaced.
 - Electrical needs upgraded to facilitate HVAC improvements and ongoing operations.
 - Estimated Cost for repairs, upgrade, and remodel are approximately \$20 million.
 - This estimate does not change the building configuration for 21st Century learning.
 - This does not address the additional need for the 4th and 5th grade trailers that need replaced.
 - The Finance Committee has deemed any cost for repair or improvement of the Primary school in Alexandria over \$200,000 is considered financially catastrophic.

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- Any Financially Catastrophic event will force the school district to move into Plan B temporary Swing Space for the PreK-3 to be located on the main learning campus
- Process to build a new building and to be mover in ready, takes approximately 3 years.
- Temporary swing-space classrooms for Pre-K-3 can take up to 6 months to build. Therefore, we need to be shovel ready for Swing Space if financially catastrophic event should happen to Primary School in Alexandria.
- Intermediate building estimated to last approximately 3 more years as it stands now.
- Life span for the Intermediate building is 10 years if placed on a foundation and repurposed.

Finance Committee – Mr. Lewis:

- How would the bond/levy monies be used:
 - Build Pre-K – 6 building.
 - Reinstall the Intermediate building on a concrete slab and repurposed.
 - Upgrade Middle School mechanicals (Plumbing, Electrical, HVAC and Generator Upgrade). This is considered a permanent Improvement.
 - Safety and security
 - Technology
 - Demolition of Homer and Alexandria buildings.
- What if nothing was done and something did happen to the Primary building?
 - General Fund would only have enough funds for 2 years of operations.
 - Temporary swing-space \$1.25 million over 3 years and then sell back to the manufacture.
- Mr. Brian Koker, Facilities Committee Chairperson:
 - Shared the Bubble Diagram drawing of the potential floor plan.
 - Discussed options for a Pre-K-6 building (one and/or two story options).
 - Discussed options for a Pre-K-8 building (one and/or two story options).
 - Reviewing Pre-K-6 with the additional Special Education, Music, Art, STEM and Art Lab in 5th and 6th grades.
- OPEN DISCUSSION Q&A:
 - Air circulation terrible at Primary – 102Degrees on the 1st day of school
 - Have we bench marked other schools, site visit, architecture
 - 900 square feet, what to include – more storage
 - State of Ohio – 19.1 acres at no cost if we build a building on the land
 - Traffic Study – for bus and parent traffic
 - Safety and Security – line of site
 - RFQ (Request for Qualification) – 30 days to prep – review about 3 months
 - Building Project:
 - November 2016 election
 - March-September be shovel ready
 - lead times for materials,
 - shovel ready for emergency,
 - \$40,000,000 Bond Issue - \$294 per year on a \$100,000 home
 - Permanent Improvements to the Middle School
 - 2018 High School millage will be coming off taxes
 - Recommendation – that the Board have for Plan for Progress, a Time Line and RFQ

Discussion Items

2015-2018 Negotiated Agreement – Remove MOU, OTES, stay with Safe Harbor

Reaffirm Time and Place of Next Board of Education Meetings:

Regular Date: Monday, December 21, 2015 Time: 6:30PM Location: High School Media Center
Organizational Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 Time: 6:30PM Location: HS Media Center

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Reaffirm Time and Place of Next Treasurer/CFO Meetings:

Finance Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 Time: 6:00PM Location: District Office

Facilities Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 Time: 6:00PM Location: District Office

Adjourn Meeting

15-102 Mr. Pokorny's motion to adjourn the meeting passed by unanimous voice vote. The president declared the meeting adjourned at 8:18PM.

_____ Board President

_____ Treasurer

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