

***Mosinee School District
Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes***

Monday, November 21, 2016

Michael Kaiser, School Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call of Directors: Krautkramer, Kaiser, Gorman, Barnes, Tomczyk, Ahles, and Gewiss. Absent: Zebro, and Thiel. (Thiel arrived at 6:01 p.m.)

Administrators present: Schultz, Zimmerman (Brent), Lind, Kaiser (Steve), Unertl, Mesenberg, Lehman, Gremminger, Sween, and Soderberg.

Pledge of Allegiance...

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda...

Motion by Tomczyk, seconded by Ahles, to approve the agenda as posted. Voice vote revealed 8 yes and 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

President Kaiser turned the meeting over to Vice-president Ahles.

Discussion: Facility Design...

Steve Jamroz from Blue Design explained the process of the referendum planning from the last time compared to this time. He then went on to explain that at the last meeting, he shared a layout for the elementary school, and at this meeting, he planned to share a revised conceptual layout for the elementary school after input from the principals and elementary staff, as well as the middle and high schools' layouts with input from their principals and staff.

Jamroz presented elementary school revisions involving bus and parent drop off and pick up in the parking lot, restroom locations, repurposing some art and music rooms, and reclaiming storage space in the hallway.

He then presented middle school revisions involving stacking two grades on each floor, not taking down a part of the 1939 building but repurposing it and using the best sections of it, and taking down the 1922 section and turning it into green space. Proposed new additions would be offices and vestibule, larger cafeteria, server and kitchen area, and receiving area. The only addition to the 2nd and 3rd floors would be a new stairwell when the 1922 section is removed.

Finally, Jamroz presented high school revisions involving combining the middle school library with the high school library, maintenance items, moving fitness center over to available space, new commons area with kitchen and receiving areas, locker rooms for Title IX requirements, and a secure office and entrance area.

Steve Kaiser, Director of Buildings and Grounds, explained that with having to put in new roofing, he would need to remove the ceilings and rather than replace them, he would paint the

ceilings black exposing the duct work and see if it can be done more cost effectively. He indicated that he is presently testing two of the classrooms with open ceilings.

Jamroz explained how the Ag shop area would get used by leaving the blacktop space to align with the receiving area doors and leave the mechanical space because some fire alarms are located there and it would cost too much to relocate them. The sidewalks would provide for outside activities and the rest would be turned into green space. Additional flex rooms could also be used, if needed.

A lengthy discussion was held on enlarging the Metals and Woods areas, depending on how they gets used, especially if we have a FAB Lab. Some ideas were to possibly move out to the property line edge or adding square footage to the end of the classrooms. Steve Kmosena, metals teacher, spoke to the Board on the need for more space, especially to teach in, as well as more power to operate machinery. With feedback from the school buildings' listening sessions, the Board talked about moving forward with some pricing, and giving a description of the specifications to the contractors.

Additional discussion involved reclaiming previous space from the band department, maintenance issues with remodeling versus building new, possibly moving the district offices to the high school, encouraging community involvement in the schools, grandfathering in code issues, and leaving options open to add a building to work on vehicles in winter, as well as other needed spaces in the future.

He then recapped things that will change once engineers are involved if the referendum passes, and our focus should be to figure out if there is enough space for the future and if not, where to add it.

Public Forum to Address the Issue of the Facility Design...

Several community and staff members spoke during Public Forum on issues related to the Board action to move the 4th graders to the elementary school and causing additional problems with serving lunches, having enough space on the playground when all the students are there prior to school starting, and adding students to the elementary building for the sake of equal distribution rather than addressing their needs; declining enrollment and extra classrooms at the elementary school; supporting the referendum with the new gymnasium as a separate question and including the expansion of the tech ed department; ignoring the community survey and doing what's right for the kids; and exploring some options for locations of wrestling practice and storage.

Thiel thanked those who spoke in Public Forum for bringing forth their comments and suggestions.

Decision: Facility Design...

Motion by Thiel, seconded by Krautkramer, to approve the proposal, as presented, to increase the tech ed and ag spaces, as discussed, follow protocols previously described for formal quote requests from 3-4 contractors, and proceed with some type of comparative analysis to make an educated and informed decision. The Board expressed an interest in hearing additional input from the staff next week at the building level listening sessions and will take into consideration

that input as they finalize plans to get details out to several contractors for bids. Voice vote revealed 8 yes and 0 no. Discussion was held regarding additional changes being made based on staff feedback with the understanding that this is a “snapshot,” and also possibly getting a “stand alone” cost for the district offices. Tomczyk mentioned that he would like to see 40,000 square feet for the Tech Ed department and Jamroz indicated that he will look at some options. Barnes indicated he would like more information from the Ag staff if the Ag room is expanded. Voice vote revealed 8 yes and 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Decision: Soliciting Input from Construction Companies for Costs Associated with new Construction and Remodeled Construction...

The Board reviewed potential construction companies that are willing to provide costs on the proposed new and renovated construction needs, and Jamroz shared that some companies he contacted are not interested in providing this no-cost service without a commitment to be chosen as construction manager for the project. Jamroz agreed to reach out to additional construction companies that were discussed by the Board. He indicated that the Board can also send “by invitation only” letters out. Thiel encouraged the Board to give preference to the contractors who provided information. No action was needed for this since Thiel’s motion on the Facility Design covered it.

Discussion: Update on Referendum Timeline...

Superintendent Schultz explained that a resolution is needed by January 24, 2017 in order to include the referendum questions on the April 2018 general election ballot. The next Special Board of Ed Facility meeting will be held on Monday, December 12, 2016 with another one on January 9, 2017. If information is not received by December 12th, it could be added to the regular board meeting agenda for Tuesday, December 20th or a separate meeting could be held on Monday, December 19th if more time is needed.

Future Agenda Items...

There were no future agenda items mentioned.

Adjournment...

Motion by Kaiser, seconded by Gewiss, to adjourn. Voice vote revealed 8 yes and 0 no. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Ordered by School Board Clerk and Respectfully Submitted,



Janie Prazuch, Administrative Assistant



Michael A. Kaiser, School Board President