Buildings & Grounds Meeting  
Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Committee Purpose

The Committee provides the School Board with a broad, high-level overview of buildings and grounds areas of the district, acts as a sounding board for various projects, develops the project philosophy for both short-term and long-term needs, and provides communication back to the full School Board.

Committee Leadership

Charles Merris, Buildings & Grounds School Board Committee Chair  
Mike Donato, School Board Committee Vice-Chair

Start Time: 5:03 p.m.

Location: CMS Auditorium

Attendees:

Board Members:  Adam Aloisi, Dylan Bard, Mike Donato, Linda Johnston, Grant Keener, Jim Mauer, Charles Merris, Pat Wagner

Administration:  Mike Bromirski, Mark Brooks, Mike Graham, Kim James, and Shannon Zimmerman

Other:  None

Time for Public Comment:  None

Buildings & Grounds Discussion Items:

1. Enrollment Update:  Mike Bromirski presented information on enrollment projections from Decision Insite and the impact that Covid 19 has had on our enrollment numbers. More students have enrolled in cyber schools compared to previous years. This sudden increase is most likely due to Covid 19. Mr. Bromirski also discussed Decision Insite’s findings regarding future development in the district. The projection shows a smaller population at Rohrerstown Elementary compared to other schools and the potential for an increase at Farmdale elementary by 2027. Hempfield will continue to monitor to see if we need to balance out the buildings in the future. Mr. Bromirski also reported that Mr. Brooks and Mrs. James are looking at Hempfield’s capital projects by building to see if these projects need to be refined based on the new enrollment information. Mr. Bromirski will decide by the next meeting as far as whether Decision Insite will need to re-run our projections based on the change in enrollment numbers. The refinement of our capital projects will most likely take place in March.

2. Market Street Request:  Mrs. Zimmerman stated Woodcrest Villa’s contract expired and they will not be renewing due to Covid 19 guidelines and the loss of events. Hempfield Foundation will be renewing their contract for $3,000. Lancaster Bible College (LBC) requested a reduction in their
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sponsorship. They had a one-year deal where they could activate years two and three without a contract renewal. Year two will be for $10,500 and year three will be $12,500. LBC’s reasoning is due to a reduction of individuals viewing their signage at the press boxes. Mr. Donato and Mr. Aloisi approved LBC’s proportionate request. Mrs. Zimmerman will share on the board news what the net amount will be for this.

3. Signage: Based on feedback from the board and the community, Hempfield will be replacing 45 signs that have either become worn or are irrelevant. The Landisville and Centerville Campus will be the target areas; however, Mrs. Zimmerman will continue to travel to other buildings to see if signs can clearly get visitors to where they need to go. Hempfield has received complaints that specific areas are hard to find. Hempfield has obtained quotes from CoStars. The cost to us for 45 signs is $50,000. Mr. Brooks mentioned that we have recently purchased new line painting equipment. We can put stencils on the roadways with painted directional signs, directing traffic where to go. This all can be done in-house and will save us money.

4. District HVAC update: Mr. Brooks reported what we can do to improve the water going into the geothermal systems throughout the campus. Since our contract with Trane water treatment elapsed on June 30, 2020, we are looking at other options—one of these being moving to a dry chemical system where our maintenance staff will mix with the water in tanks onsite. This will save the district money and will result in better quality water going through these systems moving forward. Water treatment testing is currently being done for Legionella for risk management purposes. ASHRAE created a standard we should be following which will be implemented in the future. We received a proposal from Trane for $39,160. Another vendor came in at $41,562. We will increase our testing to track the pH and acidity of the water. We will also perform Legionella testing periodically throughout the year. Mr. Brooks stressed that this dissolving of chemicals in our tanks poses no safety risk to our maintenance staff since this process is automated by inserting a cartridge into the unit and dispensing accordingly. Mr. Brooks also updated the board on the remediation of the three boiler’s iron deposits. We will continue to monitor every year to have the deposits stripped out.

5. Kim James gave an update on the roofing delamination problem at the high school. The work is complete as of January 19, 2021. As far as the delamination at Centerville Middle School, this temporary fix has been rescheduled for February 12, 2021. The reason for the delay in the permanent fix is due to the fact that we needed to schedule a crane onsite. A permanent fix is scheduled for the summer. We are moving forward with Houck Roofing with continued roofing inspections. Lead water testing is ongoing. Results will be presented at the next meeting.

Adjourn: 5:57 p.m.

Future Meeting Dates:

February 16, 2021 (location to be determined)
March 23, 2021 (location to be determined)
April 20, 2021 (location to be determined)