

BUILDINGS/GROUNDS & TRANSPORTATION REPORT

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To: Board of Education
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BUILDINGS/GROUNDS

Facilities Committee

The Facilities Committee did not meet during the month of October. The next meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at the Pana Jr. High School.

Water/Lead Testing

As you all know by now, we received our results from the state required water testing. Even though we were disappointed to find out we had elevated levels of lead in some locations at the buildings, we have already taken steps to eliminate the risk at the identified locations in all three buildings. I have attached the report for all three schools and will give an in-depth report at Monday night's meeting.

The City of Pana also did water sampling tests at Lincoln and Washington (kitchens only) and those tests came back with less than 1 ppb for both locations.

Jr. High Gym Project Update

During the last few months, we've talked about the disputed amount between Slay's Restoration and what the insurance paid for the Jr. High gym claim. I was contacted by Slay's about two weeks ago stating that if they did not receive payment with two weeks, they would seek legal counsel. The insurance company has been notified, and they told me that I am to direct Slay's to the insurance consultant that Wright Specialty (our insurance company) hired. As of October 13th, I have not heard back from Slay's. The insurance company is standing firm that they will not make any further payments until Slay's submits more information for some of the charges originally submitted. The district could have a potential liability with this disputed amount since the contract for the work performed is between the school district and Slay's Restoration. I will be happy to answer questions at the board meeting.

Annual Life Safety Review

The district's annual life safety review will take place on Friday, October 20th. Both the ROE representative and the State Fire Marshal will be present for this year's review. All schools have been notified.

Phase 3 Projects

We have a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 18th with Laura Weber and Bob Fogarty of GRP to discuss our next phase of building/grounds projects. This is a preliminary meeting that with Laura and Bob, and then they will be invited to present a proposal at the Board Retreat on January 20, 2018.

Additional Surveillance Equipment

Scott Savage is currently working on getting quotes for additional surveillance cameras based on the principal requests. I may have information to share at the board meeting depending on the turn-around time from the vendor.

TRANSPORTATION

Annual Safety Hazard Resolution

Each year the district must approve the Safety-Hazard Resolution. This resolution is to confirm that our school district still has transportation hazards that exist for our students. Those hazards being highways and railroad crossings. This will require board action.

Annual Bus Evacuation Drills

Our required annual bus evacuation drills for all schools, including Sacred Heart, will be conducted on Monday, October 23rd. All students present are to be included in these drills.

Annual Refresher Course

All bus drivers are required to attend a two-hour refresher course. These courses are facilitated by a certified instructor. Pana CUSD #8 has been host the last two or three years. There are several scheduled courses available to the drivers, and Pana will host again this year on Wednesday, November 29th at the Jr. High Auditorium.