

Special Board Minutes (draft)

Thursday, June 13, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m.

Administration Conference Room

Present: Donna Yellow Owl-Chair, Wendy Bremner, James Evans, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman. **Absent:** Brian Gallup, Jess Edwards, Kristy Bullshoe.

Ms. Yellow Owl called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms. Bremner to approve the agenda with no changes. Second by Mr. Evans. Motion passed.

Public Comment: None.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

Middle School and Sports Complex: Ms. Yellow Owl stated that the board met with the Tribal Council and received a ‘no’ on Tero and revenue construction fees so the school board will move forward and make a decision on construction of the middle school and the sports complex. Ms. Yellow Owl also noted that the school board was asked to attend a meeting Monday, June 17, 2019 however because the meeting was to be closed to discuss Tero and revenue, the school board was advised by their legal counsel that they could not participate in a closed meeting for this. Ms. Yellow Owl contacted Tim Peterson and asked him to contact Tero to get the exact percentage of Tero fees, which is 4% on each project and the revenue is 3%. Tim was advised by Tero that they will levy the fees on the A&E, so the school will include that amount on the projects as well.

Tim Peterson stated that the amount of the sports plex was broke out into separate prices for the main areas of the project; the main part is earthwork, i.e. football field, which is \$3.5 million and is the first priority. The break out includes (with a 10% contingency):

Tero fees is \$235,207

Revenue \$176,406

AE Design \$598,731

Misc. \$25,000

The total is\$6,915,531, which does not include warming rooms. Mr. Peterson recommended to bid all the fields to see the low price on individual pieces and decide what the district can hold off on, and also see if BPS gets the new market tax credits; suggest bid all field work and turf, track (will be in budget on this). They will hold off on drawings and see what kind of money the district has. Board agreed to prioritize the schools needs to stay within the budget, i.e. football field, softball field, track and events field and felt that they could hold off on the tennis courts. Mr. Peterson also suggested to get rid of the lower floor where the warming rooms, softball field, bathrooms, etc. were to be; base bid gravel under the softball, football field and track, gravel bus area at BMS; upgrade asphalt. Parking lot upgrades can be priced separately and do later. The middle school track and practice field will reseed, irrigate and make into multipurpose field. Mr. Peterson will price astro-turf. All kitchen will need to be replaced; nothing is salvageable.

Mr. Peterson stated that there is no budget for the leaking gym roof at BMS but can do some repairs and it will last another 10 years. The old BMS gym will become 8 classrooms with a breakout area. The priority is new gym, cafetorium, boiler, and roof. Mr. Peterson will bid the 6-grade wing as an alternative for the board to review. There will be new carpet in the classrooms, new ceilings, painting and windows in rooms in the corridor, new kitchen, weight room, locker room, storage area, bathrooms off the common area, concessions area close to gym, new mechanical room for boilers (on main floor), new office space, two new kitchens n the home economics area and the main entrance will change to the NE side.

Mr. Peterson stated that he will finish pricing and bids by the first of July and the board can make a decision; break ground mid-July. All rough grading will be done in the summer and fall. Field turf next spring is guaranteed maximum price.

Superintendent Hall asked the board to keep in mind that if the grants do not come through for Good Medicine (\$400,000) and Pre-K(\$300,000) we cannot add anymore to the projects.

Ms. Yellow Owl asked that the superintendent send a letter to the tribal council expressing the boards thanks for the invitation to meet, and let them know that the school board is moving forward on these projects and prioritizing needs. The District will pay the revenue and construction tax and if the tribe contributes any of the taxes back to the school district it will be great. Attach a copy of the proposed breakdown on the budgets for both projects and hand deliver to the tribal council Monday morning prior to their closed meeting.

Mr. Evans stated that he was told by a council member that they were not having a closed session. Ms. Croff stated that she was told that they would talk about opening the meeting.

Mr. Peterson stated that the cuts that will need to be made must leave the middle school at (not to exceed) \$11,985,000 and the sportsplex (not to exceed) \$7,300,000.

Motion to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. by Ms. Croff. Second by Ms. TallWhiteman. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

_____ Carlene Adamson, Board Secretary

_____ Donna Yellow Owl, Board Chairperson

_____ Stacy Edwards, District Clerk