

BARRINGTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 220**Minutes of a Facilities Committee Meeting****March 7, 2019****Members Present**

Penny Kazmier, Joseph Ruffolo

Location

Administrative Center, 310 James Street, Barrington, Illinois

1. MARCH 7, 2019 FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

2. OPEN SESSION

2.01 Roll Call

2.02 Call Meeting to Order at 3:36 p.m.

2.03 Public Comment

None.

3. AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes: 3.01 Approval of Facilities Committee Minutes from January 24, 2019

The Facilities Committee approved the minutes from the January 24, 2019 Facilities Committee meeting.

3.02 Rose Playground Proposal

The Rose community has done an amazing job at fundraising this year - \$110,000. They have raised enough to pay for equipment, installation and the poured in place surface. We will do the engineering and support and pay costs associated with this work. Heather Schumacher spoke regarding the playground. The Rose playground was closed before the first day of school. That equipment has been donated to an organization that can refurbish it and use it. They would like to have equipment for students with a physical handicap. Dr. Harris stated we are working on coming up with a comprehensive plan for playgrounds at all our schools. Since Rose has the funding now, they would rather not wait for the District to finish their comprehensive plan in order to complete the part of the playground that they can afford. They understand that when the district comes up with a plan and a financial number to contribute to each school, they may not get that same dollar amount since half their playground will already be new. Tom Compagna supports the poured in place surfaces at this time. However, the replacement cost challenge is there. Maybe the Board could make a pledge to cover the replacement of the poured in place. Playground equipment has about a 20-year life and the poured in place is about 7 years. We know whatever proposal is made now may not be supported by future boards of education. If we create a plan or a set policy, we can get consistency for the future. Dave is working on a full plan that can be presented to the Board.

Angela Llerena, president of the PTO, stated that they are ready to use the money they have received fundraising. Rose has a PTO meeting tomorrow and Penny Kazmier suggested that they vote on using those funds as opposed to waiting until the district has a plan and knows how much they would financially contribute. There is another half of the Rose playground that has hit the 20-year mark and may need to be replaced sometime in the next few years. The Committee might be supportive to move forward on this project this summer. Tom Compagna will look to see if he can support this with his budget.

3.03 North Barrington Playground

General comments regarding playgrounds: Lines is a bit behind the other schools in need. We will not discuss them today, but will continue conversations with them. Countryside School is actively doing fundraising for comprehensive playground equipment. We are trying not to get too far out ahead of them in case their fundraising does not go as well as expected. For North Barrington, the PTO has the funds to pay for the playground now. They would like to move forward right away. Dave will speak with Austin to suggest that their PTO take a vote on using this money on the project. The project should take approximately \$65,000. Would have to move the gaga ball pit and their climbing wall would need to be moved a bit as well.

3.04 Flint Creek Dreamway Project

Dr. Harris met with the architect and Jeff Lawler. This project has been approved and the EPA has signed off on their part of the grant money. The Village of Barrington is the fiscal agent and will bill us for our part of the cost. Our total contribution is \$90,294.94. We could decide to split it over two years if we like. EPA, District, Village and Park District will all contribute.

We are targeting the summer of 2020 for the project. An environmental company out of Crystal Lake would do all the renovation.

3.05 Stadium Turf Update

Dave Bein discussed additional samples of turf and the pricing involved. The delivery time for the turf is 4-5 weeks. We will need to decide by second or third week in May. He discussed the negotiations with each company. The infill is really the heart of turf.

3.06 Transition House

We have outgrown our current space for the transition house. Beth Jones, along with Pam Jacobs of @Properties, looked at 35 properties on paper. When assessing the properties, they looked at bus accessibility, parking and accessibility once in the building (not near chemicals, not close to major roads, etc.). They physically went to about 15 different properties. Beth has a proposal for 1525 S. Grove Ave. If we have support for this, we would need to have an environmental study and a water study done. This lease includes taxes and association fees. If taxes go up, we pay the incremental increase. Penny Kazmier asked since we are tax exempt, can we pass on the incremental tax increase? @Properties will look into it. It may not apply since we are leasing, not owning. We would not pay the lease payments during the four months of build out. Most properties visited ranged from \$10 to \$22 per square foot - many of which needed major build out. This one is \$16/sq. foot and needs little building. The payments would come out of the IDEA grant. We would need an occupancy permit from the regional board of education. Joe was hopeful that we could purchase something for the Transition Program and not have to lease, but he hopes this least will buy us time to continue to look for a facility to purchase. Beth stated that we have exhausted purchase possibilities right now but will continue to look. Penny Kazmier and Joe Ruffolo wondered if there was an option to buy this space? Pam Jacobs will research that. We will add this discussion to the Closed Session agenda on March 19. Will go back to see who paid for the original appliances at the current transition house at St. Michaels to see if we will have to pay to replace anything that we remove from the house (appliances that we bought last year). Penny Kazmier asked if the owner of this property is taking a tax deduction because he lowered the lease cost for us? The committee asked that the administration write up something that states owner is donating that portion to the District in order to provide him with a write-off? Pam Jacobs will research this.

3.07 District Administrative Center Update

Dave reported that the renovation/construction at the new District Administrative Center is going well and is on schedule.

4. CLOSED SESSION

4.01 Closed Session - For the purpose of discussing: Employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, legal matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease or sale price of real property.

No closed session required.

5. ADJOURN

5.01 Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.