

SPECIAL	Nippersink Middle School	7:00 p.m.	April 7, 2008
----- Kind of Meeting	----- Meeting Place	----- Time	----- Month/Day/Year
			Day of Week Monday

MEMBERS

Present

Absent

Patty Anderson

Presiding Officer

Sue Maurer

Glenn Samuel

Mike Gullifor

Sharon Bianchini

Dan Oest

Superintendent of Schools

Diane Bushing

Secretary-Board of Education

Paul Hain

Business Manager

Paul Offerman

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The Special meeting of the April 7, 2008 Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Board President Patty Anderson.

Public Comment

None

Resignations

MOTION

Mike Gullifor moved, seconded by Sue Maurer, **to accept the resignation of Mrs. Rissa Spangler, NMS Special Education teacher.** Roll call vote:

Ayes: Diane Bushing, Mike Gullifor, Sharon Bianchini, Sue Maurer, Glenn Samuel, Patty Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Paul Offerman

All in favor; motion carried

Building Maintenance Report

Presentation of Needs at Each Building - Ameresco

Dr. Hain introduced Mr. Terry Stoklosa, Mr. Steve Taggart, and Mr. Tu La of Ameresco. Working from the recent Decennial Life Safety Review and identified maintenance and safety issues, personnel from Ameresco did a comprehensive building condition assessment of District 2 buildings including mechanical and electrical systems, architectural/structural components, and the property sites. An overview and correlating costs of the assessment were presented. Specific line item recommendations were reviewed and discussed.

Performance contracting, including negotiated procurement and a “turnkey” Design/Build Project Implementation option was discussed as an alternative option to the traditional approach using an architect firm. Advantages to this option and process were outlined. Questions and answers regarding the “turnkey” option and legalities related to the bidding process followed. All hours accrued by Ameresco to date have been at Ameresco’s expense. Should the Board choose to proceed with the “turnkey” option, a request for bids will be initiated. District 2 employees have neither the time nor the talent to handle a project of this magnitude. Dr. Hain said that the “turnkey” option or the traditional way of

using an architect/engineer is the District's only options. District 2 has an architect firm of record. If the Board were to consider using another firm, the Board would need to engage in interviews and follow a qualified selection process.

The Board thanked the gentleman from Ameresco for the comprehensive report and the Building Committee for their work on this project.

Prioritizing

A discussion of prioritizing the projects took place with the Board reaching consensus that in order to do so, they would need the following information:

- Provide Board members with the Decennial Life Safety Review(DLSR) listed items as well as the boiler issues for NMS and SGE
- Provide the Board members with the (DLSR) list categorized into A-B-C and estimated costs.
- A total dollar amount breakout for just the Life Safety item requirements.
- List of items that have been addressed to date by D2 Building and Grounds staff.

Finance Options

Dr. Hain explained that District 2 has cash reserves in the \$3 million range, though that reserve money is currently used to bridge the gap towards the end of the fiscal year while awaiting property tax disbursements and General State Aid money.

During the application process to form District 2 from former Districts 11 and 13, a debt service base extension was not established. Representative Franks is currently working with District 2 to correct the situation which must occur through a legislative process. The hope is that it will be addressed during the next full session of the legislature.

Lease options are an option. Rates tend to be a bit higher, but could be refunded with building bonds at a point following restoration of the bonding capacity by the legislature. Debt certificates are another possibility by pledging developer fees and property tax dollars. Dr. Hain's opinion is that a maximum of \$1.25 million could be accessed from the Site and Construction Fund (developer and impact fees).

Questions and Discussion

In addition to items requested under "Prioritizing," Board members would like to see a breakdown of Life Safety "needs" and "extras" listed separately. A resolution to proceed will be considered once all information is reviewed.

Closed Session

Diane Bushing moved, seconded by Sharon Bianchini, **to move into Closed Session at 9:32 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and performance of specific employees to the district, and negotiations.** Roll call vote:

Ayes: Mike Gullifor, Diane Bushing, Sue Maurer, Sharon Bianchini, Glenn Samuel, Patty Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Paul Offerman

All in favor; motion carried

MOTION

Return to Open Session at 9:56 p.m.

MOTION

Adjourn Meeting

Diane Bushing moved, seconded by Glenn Samuel, **to adjourn the Special Board of Education meeting at 9:57 p.m.** Roll call vote:

Ayes: Diane Bushing, Mike Gullifor, Sharon Bianchini, Sue Maurer, Glenn Samuel, Patty Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Paul Offerman

All in favor; motion carried

ATTEST

Diane Bushing, Secretary

Patricia Anderson, President



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