

Approved Minutes
SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745
District Board Room
October 23, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Winkels at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Winkels, Kreuzer, Carbajal, Paulsen, Hansen, Sand, Pennie

Absent: None

Student Representatives: None

3. ICS CONSULTING UPDATE

Pat Overom (ICS Consulting) encouraged dialogue with the board to weigh options while balancing educational impact/benefits, and financial impact/cost with community perception/political impact. Pat also had the chance to meet with Elementary Staff. The meeting findings were reviewed with the board.

The Facilities Committee notes from the last meeting were reviewed with the board.

Through discussion, the group felt a referendum was too soon and the space needs do not merit it at this time. The most appropriate time frame for solutions would be mid to long term range. For scope of discussions, mid represents 3-5years and long represents 6-10years. Opportunity and accessibility for families will need to be carefully considered as well.

The board discussed options containing new construction, owning vs leasing, and/or lease to purchase. A robust list of options was vetted through the board, carefully discussing the pros and cons of each proposal, eliminating the options that were not a good fit.

The remaining options will be refined, allowing time for further investigation and details to be sorted out. Once refined, a community outreach/engagement will likely be conducted.

4. FACILITIES/SPACE

LTFM was reviewed and discussed as well as utilizing this funding source to complete some major deferred maintenance projects in 2020, with no tax impact. Decisions for these projects will be made at upcoming board meetings.

The greenhouse is progressing with the concrete floor installed. They are currently waiting for doors. An additional asphalt pad will be installed in Avon for the basketball courts and playground.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Agenda completed at 7:49pm.

Matt Kreuzer, Clerk