



BOARD BRIEFS

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School district prepares buildings for future

Board approves maximum cost for rebuild at South Clearfield Elementary

Preparing for the future. If there was a theme to the recent Board of Education meeting that would be it.

The board, convening in the auditorium of the Davis School District, voted unanimously to set a maximum price for an elementary school rebuild. That is just one of a handful of projects approved Tuesday evening.

While school is still underway in the classrooms at South Clearfield Elementary, 990 E. 700 South, Clearfield, there is definitely action to the west of campus. It's that west parking lot that has been taken over by construction equipment and where crews have begun moving dirt and



Artist rendition of the rebuilt South Clearfield Elementary.

establishing a solid soil base for the new foundation and rebuild of the school.

The project is the last project financed by the 2015 voter-approved \$298 million bond and is being built by Hogan & Associates Construction.

District Business Administrator and Assistant Superintendent Craig Carter explained the construction firm recently received bids from subcontractors, and through that process, proposed a price of \$27.9 million, which was approved by the board as the project's guaranteed maximum price.

Upon completion, the school will have more class-

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Plans move ahead for new Career and Technical Education Center

VCBO Architecture will serve as the lead architect for the district's new Career and Technical Education Center.

The center comes as a result of the district purchasing what's known as the Tax Works (H&R Block) building located near Barnes Park at 1265 W. Sportsplex Drive, Kaysville. That purchase was approved by the board back in July.

Carter explained H&R Block has a lease on the building until March of 2021, but at this point, VCBO will "work with us to facilitate the plans that (District CTE Director) Mr. (Jay)

Welk and his staff will want for the center.

"Mr. Welk has grown his enrollment in CTE dramatically," Carter said. "Our funding from the state has grown dramatically, and that is why I think this is an exciting project because it will just (enhance) what they are doing."

Superintendent Reid Newey added the district will also work closely with Davis Technical College so that there is not a duplication of services between the CTE Center and the college.

It is anticipated that students will occupy the space in the fall of 2021.

The Board also named a construction manager/general contractor for a remodel of the district's transportation offices. Approved by the board to lead that effort is Stout Building Construction, Inc.

The office currently occupies an 80-year-old building, one of many such structures the district utilizes at the Freeport Center in Clearfield.

The building isn't going away, but plans are to remodel the office area, which is described as "inadequate." The plans include an open office layout, lounge space and restrooms for bus drivers and mechanics and a training room that would accommodate 300 people.

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rooms than the current South Clearfield Elementary and will provide additional student-teacher learning spaces. Plans are that the school will open its doors in August 2021.

In other action Tuesday, board members:

- Approved the selection of Hogan & Associates Construction to serve as construction manager/general contractor during the installation of a new sports turf field at Syracuse High School. The sports turf would allow the school to now use the space for multiple sports, including football, soccer and lacrosse, as well as for physical education classes. Work will also be done to resurface the running track and relocate the long jump pit. Work will begin in May and is anticipated to be done by mid-August.

- OK'd a request by the Utah Department of Transportation to purchase about two acres of land from the district to extend Gordon Avenue to Highway 89 in Layton. The acreage is along the southern border of property the school district has held for a future junior high school. The district will receive \$491,800 for the property.

- Recognized Farmington High School cross-country team members Rawson Spackman, Adam Wall, Jalen Anderton, Ethan Peterson, Isaac Halverson, Simon Mitchell and Kurt Thornton for being named 5A State Champions. The team was coached by Chris Brower, Sarah Ritchie, Brooke Lynch and Jason Lynch.

- Learned that the top three names suggested for the new elementary school being built south of Dibble Farms in west Layton are Sunburst Elementary, West Layton Elementary



The Board recognized members of the Farmington High cross-country team. The team recently took home the title of 5A State Champions. Superintendent Reid Newey, Farmington High Principal Richard Swanson and Board Member Julie Tanner are pictured with the team.



Orchard Elementary student Jeffrey Dunna performed his award-winning Martin Luther King Jr. speech during Tuesday's meeting. He is pictured here with his family, Superintendent Reid Newey, Board Vice President Liz Mumford and Educational Equity Director Dr. Bernardo Villar.

and Harmony Elementary. The board will consider the names during its February meeting.

- Gave final approval to a five-year review of the Davis Enhanced Education Programs.

- Recognized Orchard Elementary School student Jeffrey Dunna after he was awarded third-place in the K-2 category of the district's Martin Luther King Jr. Speech Contest.