

**Olentangy Development Committee Meeting
Minutes of January 4, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.
Olentangy Administrative Offices**

In attendance for the Development Committee were:

- Antronica, Anthony
- Au, Ralph
- Frash, David
- Fuller, Robert
- Hart, Bob
- Jacobs, Marty
- Jurawitz, Sharon
- Kroskie, Kelly
- Lewis, Tony
- Muharrem, Gurgun
- Oliver, Gene
- Reiner, Charles
- Schroeder, Mark
- Schuette, John
- Seils, Rich
- Thomas, Ron
- Vasbinder, Mike

Also in attendance were Stacy Dunbar, Jeff Gordon, Keith Pomeroy and Andy Kerr.

Ralph Au called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda and minutes.

Mike Vasbinder moved and Robert Fuller seconded the motion to approve the agenda and minutes. Motion carried.

John Schuette moved and Robert Fuller seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

New Member Bob Hart

Ralph Au introduced Bob Hart and shared that Bob has lived in the District for over eight years, has two children who attend HMS and LTES and is a civil engineer with Resource International, specializing in K-12 facilities master planning.

Ralph asked for a motion to approve Bob Hart as a new member of the committee.

John Schuette moved and Charles Reiner seconded the motion to approve Bob Hart as a new member of the Development Committee. Motion carried.

P2020 Scenario Schedules & Cost

Andy presented a revised Project 2020 scenario schedule plan to the committee for their review. The revised schedules showed the timetable for construction assuming a 2014 ballot issue. The planning and development phase for some projects would need to begin before passage of a bond issue and would be done at the risk of the design/planning firm. This upfront work has been completed on previous projects and is necessary to guarantee a timely construction process. Andy reviewed all five options and pointed out that according to the 2011 enrollment projection report, LHS expansion needed to be completed by August 2013, but with delays will not be completed until August of 2016. HS #4, projected to open in 2015, has now been delayed until the 2017/18 school year. The delay would be caused by pushing the next operating levy out to May 2014. The Board of Education has asked that the current 3 year operating levy, passed in 2011, be extended for an additional year. A cost comparison sheet was added to the revised P2020 scenario and Andy noted that the funding for ES#16 was already approved by the voters in May of last year. The construction of this building has been delayed due to the State repealing the fulltime kindergarten mandate.

There was discussion regarding the use of the ES#16 funds to start construction now on a building that could accommodate high school students to help alleviate the over crowding at LHS. This would allow an alternate plan to be developed and implemented. The group questioned how many high school students could be accommodated in an elementary building.

The Development Committee will review the P2020 scenario schedules again during the February meeting and then present the findings to the BOE in March.

HB264 Projects/Capital Improvements

Mike Vasbinder gave an update on funding methods for the District Capital Improvement Projects. The Bond Residual Committee is still waiting on information from the County Auditor in order to make recommendations regarding the residual funds.

Andy presented the bid tabulations for the HVAC/Lighting Project for the committee's review and recommendation. The total amount was \$3,185,435 with the low bids being:

- HVAC: Vaughn Industries, Inc. - Base Bid A & C combined, Alt H-1 and H-4 for \$2,284,000
- Air/Water Balance: Kahoe Air Balance Company - Base Bid B for \$56,735
- Electrical: Settle-Muter Electric, Ltd. - Base Bid D, Alt E-1 and E-3 for \$844,700

Robert Fuller moved and Gene Oliver seconded the motion to approve the HVAC/Lighting bid tabulation as presented. One abstention. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of the combination of larger jobs versus dividing projects into smaller jobs for bidding to increase participation of smaller contractors. There was a concern that managing the project with multiple contractors could be more challenging.

Artificial Turf

Jeff Gordon presented a cost comparison of grass athletic fields versus artificial turf maintenance. There would be cost reductions for mowing, fertilizing, field maintenance and labor, and supplies for striping fields. There would be additional costs to maintaining artificial turf for sweeping, seam repairs and maintenance, and costs associated with additional use of the fields (utilities and labor). Donated funds would purchase sweepers for each school, but the cost of maintenance and labor would be paid by the District.

The estimated yearly savings of turf versus grass would be \$25,440 which includes all three high schools. Artificial turf carries an eight year warranty with a life expectancy of ten years. The replacement cost for turf runs approximately \$300,000 per field. Committee members discussed concerns that the annual savings amortized over ten years would not equal the cost of replacement. There would need to be a savings of \$28,000 to \$30,000 each year per field to cover replacement costs. There is a concern that District taxpayers would eventually bare the burden of replacing these fields. The cost analysis that Jeff presented did not show that level of savings. Surrounding school districts who have replaced grass with turf have found there not to be an increase in revenue by renting fields as they had expected. There were concerns expressed over the current condition of the District's grass fields due to over use. This raises safety concerns for athletes and adds additional cost as Olentangy needs to rent fields to accommodate more games and practices. There was further discussion regarding additional savings realized with turf versus grass.

Influencers Update

Andy reported that HB153 took effect January 1, 2012. This bill permits use of a design-build option. The Facilities Department is working with legal council for clarification on how this new bill will affect future projects. The artificial turf project may fall under the new guidelines.

The Facilities Department continues its work on developing a five-year long-term capital improvement plan with six year deferred recommendations that will be presented to the DC for review in March.

The FAMC subcommittee will meet in late January to review the process of completed projects.

No future agenda items were discussed.

John Schuette moved and Mike Vasbinder seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Kerr