

BOARD WORK SESSION
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Board Work Session of the Board of Trustees in the Dubois Middle School Multi-Purpose Room:
Northeast Dubois County School Corporation

This meeting is a meeting of the School Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation at the end.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President, Mrs. Mary Pankey.

ROLL CALL:	Mrs. Mary Pankey, President	Present
	Mr. Bernard Knies, Vice-President	Present
	Mr. Kelly Knies, Secretary	Present
	Mr. Shawn Dooley, Member	Present
	Mr. Brennan Schepers, Member	Present
	Mr. William Hochgesang, Superintendent	Present

OFFICIAL GUESTS:	Mr. Arthur Nordhoff, Jr., Attorney	Absent
	Mrs. DeAnn Meyer, Treasurer	Present
	Mrs. Gretchen Brinkman, Deputy Treasurer	Absent
	Mrs. Tina Fawks, Principal	Present
	Mr. Ryan Case, Principal	Present
	Mrs. Tara Rasche, Principal	Present

NEWS MEDIA:	<u>NEWSPAPER</u>	
	Daily Herald, Leann Burke	Present
	<u>RADIO</u>	
	WITZ, WQKZ,	Absent
	<u>TV</u>	
	WJTS -TV,	Absent

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS: Andrea Rickelman, Travis Schroering, Kim Miley, Dennis Rasche, Gary Bair, Seth Matheis, Ian Denu, Jennifer Ashby, John Siebert, Jason Hagen, Grace Dooley and Abra Fawks

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BOARD DISCUSSION

Gary Bair: Did a recap of where we are with Phase 1 to date.

Tina Fawks: Discussed the needs at the High School: needs roof, new carpeting, restroom remodel, 7th & 8th grade gym, weight room, lobby with concessions and restrooms, outdoor classroom area, current gym needs new bleachers, new cabinets in old rooms, driveway around east side of building, added lighting outside/parking, additional parking, storage for maintenance, new ceiling tile, need to make the building look uniform, need hoods in Home Economics room.

Ryan Case: Discussed the needs at the Middle School: lockers moved/cubbies, carpet in some classrooms, remodel old locker room, MS gym floor, MS gym stage repurposed, MS gym 2nd scoreboard.

Tara Rasche: Discussed the needs at the Elementary School: lighting around outside, camera system outside

Mary Pankey: Asked Ryan about Middle School water fountain/restrooms. Small enough for little people. Ryan commented the restrooms are fine and he is not sure about the water fountains.

William Hochgesang: Asked if Terry Friedman gave input on the bleachers. Tina Fawks responded no but sure he would agree.

Brennan Schepers: Middle School locker rooms. Ryan commented they are not really used during school.

William Hochgesang/Ryan Case: Middle School- 5th/6th grade games and High School 7th-12th grade games with new gym.

Ryan Case: Middle School gym floor finish isn't holding up as well..

Bernard Knies: Humidity/Temperature in Middle School gym. Ryan Case commented better but still working on it.

Brennan Schepers: 7th & 8th grade gym probably needed but do we have documented need? Would a field house be more in demand?

Ryan Case: Vincennes Complex –activity; rubber option. Good thing to checkout.

Brennan Schepers: Middle School gym floor definitely needed in Phase 2.

Kelly Knies: Middle School gym drainage and water issues first.

Brennan Schepers: Band practice- Where; gym

Kelly Knies: High School gym needed but maybe a fieldhouse later naming the gym for additional funding. Renovating High School to make it uniform old match new.

Bernard Knies: Intermediate School needs- Ryan Case commented 3rd/4th grade classrooms have cubbies at Dubois Elementary. 4th grade lockers and 3rd grade cubbies at Middle School. 5th/6th grade hallway added lockers, 3rd /4th grade storage space in classrooms, Special Ed moving rooms. Mostly superficial for move.

Ryan Case: In 2004 Middle School gym floor quote \$150,000 to redo.

Bernard Knies: Dubois Elementary pretty much ready for to go.

Shawn Dooley: Updating the building is a good idea. Middle School playground not mentioned. Library books for 3rd/4th grade at Middle School. Ask kids if they have ideas.

Ryan Case: Middle School playground –working on drainage. Have a quote so as soon as ground work done moving it in.

Kelly Knies: Where was new water leak at Middle School gym? Ryan Case commented that he was unsure.

Mary Pankey: The alternates from Phase 1 be first on Phase 2. Making old and new match to make it look like one school is important. Loved Kelly’s idea of getting donations for fieldhouse. George Link will tell us money and we can start priority.

William Hochgesang: High School cafeteria will not hold everyone. Need to add furniture. High School exterior needs a facelift with added gym. More modern. 7th/8th teachers need pull out rooms. Presentation area for teachers to use.

George Link: Gave presentation. Phase 1 included all alternates. \$400,000 extra but not ready to spend. Cafeteria and classroom furniture is an easy job. Building projects ideas should come first. Brennan’s idea will help to make the 2nd gym more

multifunctional. Showed diagram with new gym and rooms. \$3.8 million. Gym with seating for 400 plus on lower level. Step going up tiered to allow for presentations with lift for ADA compliance. Upper area includes concession, restrooms and weight room, Athletic Director office and additional pull out rooms.

Bernard Knies: Likes the presentation area idea.

Kelly Knies: Parking? Loss of 48 spots. Rock area for construction by tennis courts will remain parking.

Bernard Knies: Filling in opening between new building and old by 2nd pool exit.

Ryan Case: Supervision of two gyms. George Link commented glassed wall.

William Hochgesang: Why move Athletic Director? George Link commented for easy access.

George Link: This is just a basic idea to get people talking.

Mary Pankey: Opened it up for public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Bair: Track area and drainage is in need at the High School. High School needs training room and Middle School bleachers need handrails for the elderly.

Kelly Knies: Current fieldhouse? Seth Matheis commented 40x80 approximately.

Gary Bair: Dubois Elementary rock parking lot could use to be paved or concreted to improve looks.

Seth Matheis: Weight room is currently too small for 22 students. So may not need all renovated model but does need more room. Training room would be nice. Phase 1 locker rooms will be designated. Coaches offices would be needed possibly upper level. New gym optional two events sideways with drop-down backboards.

Bernard Knies: Weight room equipment- new needed? Seth Matheis commented equipment is two years old. Bernard Knies commented more equipment needed. Seth Matheis commented ok for now but could do more with \$20,000.

Kelly Knies: New gym size? George Link commented 100x100.

Ian Denu: Agree with multiuse gym. Fieldhouse very utilized. A second one would be very utilized.

Jason Hagen: Has there been any discussion to building a new High School gym instead of a Middle School axillary gym?

Andrea Rickelman: Cafeteria not removing stage. Just adding seating?

Travis Schroering: Donator for gym- How does it happen? Just have to ask.

George Link: Just have to ask Art about private money donated to be public money because it gets complicated.

Travis Schroering: When does Phase 2 start?

George Link: At the earliest mid-summer 2020

Mary Pankey: What is the next step? George Link commented that next step is to talk to staff and come up with a schematic.

George Link: Should have something for the February Board meeting. No additional Public Works sessions needed.

2019---19 **ADJOURNMENT**

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Kelly Knies
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

The Board will meet in Executive Session following the regular meeting. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (2(A), 3 & 9) relating to: collective bargaining, school safety, and job performance evaluations.

1. Call to Order
2. Review & Discuss
3. Adjournment