

Work Session Poland Board of Education held March 13, 2023

A Work Session of the Poland Board of Education was held on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Dobbins Board of Education Room, Poland, Ohio.

President, Dr. Dinopoulos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members present for roll call and answering their names were Ms. Colucci, Dr. Dinopoulos, Mr. Polis, Mrs. Elia, and Mr. Warren.

Presentations:

Matt McKenzie, Director of Operations

- Softball Field
 - Reviewed district policy requirements to have construction project.
 - Strollo Architects designed the softball field 2020 through 2021.
 - Summer of 2021 design submitted to Board.
 - Legal requirements regarding advertisement were met.
 - Sealed bids were received.
 - Bids opened February 7, 2022
 - Board awarded contract to lowest/responsible bid.
 - Integra was awarded contract March 2022.
 - Design was discussed and pictures of the progression of project were presented.
 - Additional work and donated items were discussed.
 - Inspections have been performed.
 - Opening day is scheduled for March 27, 2023 (weather permitting).

Informational:

Craig Hockenberry, Superintendent

- RFP Update for Technology,
 - Later part of 2022, resignation of District Tech Director was received.
 - Checked into models available to handle technology in the district.
 - Detailed RFP was issued.
 - Interested parties were given the opportunity to tour the facilities.
 - RFP's were scored.
 - Interviews with all interested parties were conducted.
 - A recommendation to award contract will be on March 22, 2023, board agenda.

Janet Muntean, CFO/Treasurer

- RFP Update for Food Service
 - Previous timeline was discussed.
 - RFP for Food Service Management (FSM) is complete.
 - RFP for FSM has been approved by ODE to begin advertising.
 - Legal Notice is prepared.
 - RFP for FSM is on district website as required.
 - Bids are due by 10:00 a.m. on April 28, 2023
 - Recommendation to award contract will be in May 2023.

Matt McKenzie, Director of Operations

- Transportation Terminal/Compound (*Dobbins property)
 - Request for qualifications for architect to start the process of relocated the transportation terminal/compound was discussed.

Informational: Craig Hockenberry, Superintendent

- Kindergarten numbers from March 4 (71)
- Kindergarten numbers from March 11 (56)

- ROUND I STAFFING (Certificated) Begins Monday, March 13
 - K-3 Literacy Coach (Chiaro)
 - GR. 2 Class size reduction (NEW)
 - GR. 5 Class size reduction (NEW)
 - GR. 5 ELA (McNally)
 - STEM Teacher (Marconi)
 - High School Science (DiGiacomo)

- Tuesday, March 14 STEP Senior Academic Awards
- March 23-24-25 Poland Players Presents: Guys & Dolls
- Monday, March 27 Ribbon Cutting Girls Softball Field 4:30pm
- Thursday, April 6 10:00 a.m. Ribbon Cutting McKinley Sensory Room
- Tuesday, April 18 7:30 p.m. National Honor Society @ The Seminary (*RSVP)

- Thursday, April 27 SAVE THE DATE
OUR SCHOOLS-OUR TOWNSHIP-OUR VILLAGE-OUR POLAND

- Union Elementary police training continues.
 - YSU Police Department
 - Austintown Police Department
 - Campbell Police Department
 - K-9

Janet Muntean, CFO/Treasurer

- House Bill (HB) 1 Update – Treasurer Muntean explained that hearings and testimony have been taking place throughout March regarding HB1. The proposed changes impact the current 10% property rollback reimbursements and revises the homestead property rollback. Mrs. Muntean explained that she will continue to monitor the progress of this bill, since it would have a specific impact on district revenue collections.

At 7:15 p.m. Mr. Polis moved, and Mr. Warren seconded with all members present signaling aye to move to executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal of a public employee or official and matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes. As well as to discuss the potential sale of district property.

Reconvene and Adjourn Work Session

At 8:54 p.m., Mr. Warren moved, and Ms. Colucci seconded with all members present voting aye to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.

Treasurer

President