# DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## June 27, 2017 Minutes
## Special Board Meeting

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Community Room at DES Building on Tuesday, June 27, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Christopher Outt, Vice President, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**ROLL CALL - Board Members**

Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard; and Mr. David Weader (via phone) were present. Mrs. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, and Mrs. Erin Ross were absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Mr. Jeremy Winn, High School Assistant Principal;; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary and one member of the news media.

### I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Weader explained the process for tonight's meeting, noting that there would be an overview of items that could potentially be removed from the project ("value engineered") in order to reduce costs, and discussion regarding costs and financing options.

### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time

### III. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the value engineering items recommended by the administration in consultation with Crabtree Rohrbach as identified in Enclosure 1.

Mr. Dave Price reported that he, Mr. Engle, Mr. Johns and Mr. Smargiassi met and reviewed the complete project. After long discussion they came up with the list of items to have the Board consider removing from the project, which was shared with the Board.

After this summary report, the Board raised the following questions and comments

- Mr. Keister asked about the fly-loft system in the auditorium. He was concerned about storage space for different sets and such. Mr. Barnett said a storage room is in the plans for the stage area.
- Dr. Campbell asked about the field house – girls' locker room being part of the project. Mr. Price said the recommendation to not do anything to the field house under this project. Mr. Price said we can do it for less money by doing it separately.
- Dr. Klena asked if the existing band room was going to become the weight room. Mr. Price said yes.
- Mr. Keister asked if we were still not putting air conditioning in the field house as the previously discussed. Mr. Price said that no air conditioning would be added to the field house.
- Mr. Keister is afraid that we will lose site of the field house renovations if we don't keep them in the project. Other board members said that will not happen. The field house will be painted and renovated as planned, but not through the project.
- Dr. Campbell asked if we would have a secure entrance to the high school. Mr. Price said we will have a secure entrance to the high school. Mr. Price also said we will not be moving the guidance and nurses offices. They will be renovated. The other high school administration officer area will be moved to the new addition area.
- Mr. Keister expressed his concern with not building a new press box. Mr. Price said the only reasons he hear for building a new press box was because of the sun and a site line to the field. Mr. Keister said he was told the concern was the press box got too crowded and loud with the coaching staff being in there. Mr. Price said they should look into possibly adding on to the existing press box.
- Mr. Outt asked if we don't do the storage area under the visitors' bleacher through the project, if we could consider doing this as a separate project. Mr. Outt feels the storage space is really needed. Mr. Price said we could do the enclosure for storage space under the bleachers as a separate project.
- Dr. Klena suggested we run conduit under the field for future use. Mr. Price said that is being done.
- Mr. Keister spoke about the possibly of adding on to the existing press box.
- Mr. Keister asked about the power in seats in the auditorium. Mr. Price said it was so that if the auditorium was used for a large group room the power would be available to plug in laptop. Mr. Price said they discussed this and decided that it could be removed from the project.

- Mr. Keister asked how many fixed seats the auditorium would have. Mr. Price and Mr. Barnett told the board there would be 900 fixed seats plus room in the balcony to add two rows of chairs if needed.
- Mr. Weader said he had a question from Mrs. Gill. The question is: Is there enough seating in the stadium for possible playoff and tournaments to be held. Could we add extra seating if necessary. Mr. Price seating is an easy thing to do but our problem in playoff situations would be parking.
- Mr. Price said he feels comfortable with the recommendations and conservative with the numbers. Mr. Price said the parking lot in the front circle is still in the project.
- Dr. Campbell said we should go over the costs before voting.
- Mr. Keister asked where we should keep the District's fund balance. Dr. Campbell said the Board has been targeting around $8,000,000, or about 20% of revenues.
- Mr. Weader said after the books are closed on the current year the board should then discuss the options of borrowing more money or transferring more funds from the fund balance.
- Mr. Keister asked Mr. Barnett if we cut all these things from the project if it would affect the reimbursement from Plan Con. Mr. Barnett said it would not. Mr. Keister than said he is okay with removing everything from the project except the press box. Mr. Keister is in favor of putting a new press box on the visitors' side of the stadium
- Dr. Klena wanted item 3b parking lot to be clarified. Is the recommendation to remove this item or keep it in the project. Mr. Price said the recommendation is to keep the parking lot in the front circle in the project.
- Mr. Price noted that it is imperative to make a decision on the which recommendations to accept in order to keep the project on time.

At this time Dr. Campbell made a motion to accept the administrative recommendation of items 1 through 7 as presented.
The motion was seconded by Mr. Reichard.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard; and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mrs. Erin Ross.

- Mr. Weader asked Mr. Barnett to remind the Board about earlier discussions on expanding the original press box. Mr. Barnett said the board looked at other options and decided at the time that building a new press box would be the better option than renovating or adding on to the existing press box.
- Mr. Price commented that the removing the press box from the press box would provide significant savings for the District.
- Mr. Keister asked if the demolition of the existing press box is scheduled. Mr. Barnett said that it is on hold until after the decision has been made to keep existing press box or build a new one.

At 8:30 PM, the Board moved into executive session to discuss a legal matter.

At 8:45PM, the Board returned to regular session.

Mr. Weader asked Dr. Klena to talk about the storage under the bleachers. Dr. Klena said he is not against pulling it out of the project as long as we are going to continue with doing the storage area on our own.

At this time Dr. Campbell made a motion to accept the administrative recommendation of item 9.
The motion was seconded by Mr. Reichard.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 5 yes - Dr. Gregg Campbell, Dr. Joel Klena, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Derl Reichard; and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 1 – No – Mr. Randy Keister; 3 – Absent – Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mrs. Erin Ross.

Mr. Weader asked about posting an ad for a business manager. Mr. Price said he would get an ad together and talk to Mr. Weader more about doing so.

Mr. Keister asked Mr. Weader if he had any news on where we are with the Superintendent search. Mr. Weader said he needs to get an update from Mr. Templeton. Once he gets an update he will let the board know.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:50 pm a motion was made by Dr. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Reichard to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary