

**The Olentangy Facilities Committee Meeting
August 2, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
Olentangy Administrative Offices- Berlin Room**

In attendance for the Facilities Committee were:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bryant, Angie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rogers, Greg | <input type="checkbox"/> Yanka, David |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eisenhower, Frank | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott, Mark | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jurawitz, Sharon | <input type="checkbox"/> Smith, Wesley | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> King, Dave | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troxell, Joe | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> McCaughey, Kevin | <input type="checkbox"/> Totzke, Steven | |

Also in attendance were Brandon Lester (BOE Representative), Ryan Jenkins (OLSD Treasurer), Jeff Gordon (OLSD Chief Operations Officer) and Michelle Murphy (OLSD).

Sharon Jurawitz called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the night's agenda and the minutes from the June 7, 2023 meeting.

Greg Rogers moved and Mark Scott seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Joe Troxell moved and Angie Bryant seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

Annual Enrollment Projections

Sharon Jurawitz was pleased to share that per the district's May 2023 enrollment report, the numbers are still similar to the Facilities Committee's enrollment projection numbers from the fall 2022 reporting to the BOE.

For the 2023 reporting, Sharon will once again wait to use actual district enrollment numbers from the first week in September to formulate the enrollment projection calculations and reporting for the fall of 2023. Treasurer, Ryan Jenkins, was in attendance at the meeting and shared that he would not need the Facilities Committee to present their enrollment projections reporting to the Board of Education as early as last year. Ryan shared that the numbers that he uses in his five-year forecast are sufficient and that they would not be dramatically impacted by this year's reporting results. His current numbers should be sufficient through the 2026-2027 school year.

As a result, the committee should look to have its annual enrollment report ready to present to the Board of Education at the 10/12/2023 meeting. As a result, Sharon should work toward having this year's enrollment reporting complete for review and discussion at the 10/4/2023 Facilities Committee meeting.

Sharon discussed that the Kindergarten and Pre-K numbers are typically the most difficult to predict. Suggestions on how to modify our approach for these calculations are welcome.

New Facility Planning

Jeff Gordon shared that the Berlin Middle School looks good and that Robertson Construction has been working on completion of punch out list items for the project. The school is ready for its grand opening ceremony to the public and the start of the 2023-2024 school year.

Construction on the district's Elementary #17 project is moving along well. The walls for the building are up and the roof is in the process of installation. Once again, Robertson Construction is doing a great job for the district with the Elementary #17 project.

The district advertised for Construction Manager-at-Risk (CMR) services for its upcoming construction projects for the next five-years. Final CMR interviews were held at the district offices on 7/25/2023. The district was fortunate to interview four very strong construction companies. All firms interviewed well. In the end, Robertson Construction was scored as the strongest company because of the cost savings that they presented to the district and their exceptional work performance on past district projects. Robertson Construction has a solid process and continues to care about the district's needs throughout the process. Mr. Gordon thanked all Facilities Committee members who participated in the CMR interview process. He also shared that he personally called the firms who interviewed to thank them for their participation and to share the final selection results.

Mr. Gordon discussed that the district has identified some potential land for new district projects, to include land that would accommodate a fifth high school. If secured, the new land, plus the district's existing land holdings would allow the district to have locations for all of the future building projects being discussed at this time. More information is to follow on this topic, once the Board of Education is able to review and finalize land agreements.

Treasurer, Ryan Jenkins, shared that levy millage scenarios were currently being reviewed by the district and the Finance and Audit Committee. One of the scenarios considers a total levy ask of 6 to 7 mils, with 3 mils being for operating. Permanent improvement (PI) funds for the district should also be considered, as a shortfall of PI funds is projected in upcoming years. At least one mil for PI is being considered for the upcoming levy package.

The state has a new formula, which should increase funding to OLSD by incremental percentages over the next five-years. This should help to keep a levy request moderate. The district hopes to be on the March 2024 ballot with a request.

Mr. Jenkins advised that the Delaware County auditor is also in the process of reassessing property values within the district. He believes that the auditor will raise property valuations within the district an average of 35 percent. Very little of this increase will be seen by the school district. However, this could influence the overall receptivity of community members in a March 2024 levy ask.

Mr. Jenkins believes that the following facility scenarios could be requested with no new bond millage at this time:

ES #18/ ES #19 /HS #5 -or-
ES #18/ ES#19/ ES #20/ MS#7/ HS #5

Ultimately, the district's operating and PI needs will determine the final levy millage ask for the 2024 levy package. Mr. Jenkins shared that the Finance and Audit Committee felt that four-year levy ask cycles were reasonable. Facilities Committee members in attendance were in agreement with this. Mr. Jenkins advised that if the district chooses to include only three buildings in the March of 2024 levy package, it will likely be asking for another levy in March of 2028 (or sooner).

Joe Troxell, Sharon Jurawitz and Angie Bryant were in support of including as many new buildings as possible on the March of 2024 levy ballot. They did not feel that waiting to ask for buildings that the district knows that it will need would be beneficial.

Sharon Jurawitz called for a motion to include five new schools on the next district levy ballot.

**Mark Scott moved and Joe Troxell seconded the motion.
All in attendance were in agreement and none were opposed. Motion carried.**

Members also requested that district support buildings (such as transportation centers, maintenance buildings and storage structures) be identified prior to finalizing the millage for the next levy request. The district should consider incorporating these needs into the final levy language and total millage request.

General Business

Mr. Meyer recently changed some of the DLT staff positions within OLSD when he transitioned into the role of Superintendent. Some of the positions are as follows:

- Dr. Jack Fette- Deputy Superintendent
- Mrs. Nancy Freese- Chief Human Resources Officer
- Mr. Jeff Gordon- Chief Operations Officer
- Dr. Michelle Blackley- Chief Academic Officer

Randy Wright and Krista Davis remain in their current DLT roles as established by Mr. Raiff.

After reviewing the timeline for the fall of 2023 enrollment projections, it was determined that no date change for the September Facilities Committee meeting is needed. The meeting will remain as scheduled for September 6, 2023.

Influencers-

Intel continues to be the largest influencer on the district at this time.

**Sharon Jurawitz called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Joe Troxell moved and Angie Bryant seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

The Facilities Committee meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

The next monthly meeting is tentatively scheduled for 9/6/2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Gordon