# The Olentangy Facilities Committee Meeting April 3, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. Olentangy Administrative Offices- Berlin Room

#### In attendance for the Facilities Committee were:

$\checkmark$	Bryant, Angie		Rogers, Greg
$\checkmark$	Eisenhower, Frank	$\overline{\checkmark}$	Scott, Mark
$\checkmark$	Jurawitz, Sharon		Smith, Wesley
$\checkmark$	King, Dave	$\overline{\checkmark}$	Troxell, Joe
	McCaughey, Kevin		

Also in attendance were Mr. Brian Eisinger (Guest), Lizett Schreiber (BOE Representative), Dr. Kevin Daberkow (BOE Representative), 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 March 6, 2024 meeting.

Angie Bryant moved and Frank Eisenhower seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Angie Bryant moved and Greg Rogers seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

### **Tornado Event Update**

Mr. Gordon shared a PowerPoint presentation with members in attendance regarding the damage sustained by district facilities from a recent tornado in Delaware County the evening of 3/14/2024. A copy of the presentation is available upon request through the district's Business Office.

Berlin Middle School (BLMS) and Berlin High School (BHS) were the hardest hit by the tornado event. A section of the new roof membrane was torn off at Berlin Middle School above the gym area. The gym floor at BLMS sustained substantial water damage, as a result of the roof membrane being blown off. Many other sections of the new roof membrane at BLMS experienced cuts and tears from items impacting the building during the tornado. A temporary roof membrane has already been installed above the gym at BLMS and the cuts and tears repaired. Unfortunately, this will create many roofing warranty claim issues in the future for the district at BLMS.

Fortunately, other than the new pole barn at BLMS being demolished in the storm, most of the issues at the main middle school building were non-structural. Broken windows and damaged ceiling tiles have been replaced. Debris is being removed and cosmetic issues attended to.

The athletic facility at Berlin High School sustained a great deal of damage. Scoreboards were demolished, fencing flattened, grandstands toppled, press box windows blown out and impact damage noted at the track and stadium turf areas. The storage barn (for maintenance) at BHS was also severely damaged by the storm and has been torn down for safety reasons. Motz has

inspected the turf at BHS and it is being cleaned. The track surface is also being inspected for cuts and needed repairs.

Once again, Robertson Construction stepped up to the occasion as a shining star for the district. Robertson was instrumental in providing staff and vendors immediately at BLMS and BHS to assist with the repair and recovery effort. They were instrumental in completing needed roofing, window and other repairs that allowed the district to safely reopen the facilities for classes with only one day of school missed. The BOE recently passed a Resolution (through an urgent necessity clause) which will allow the district to use the services of Robertson Construction for the balance of repairs needed at the sites this spring and summer.

The BOE approved Resolution also allows the district (through the same urgent necessity clause) to utilize the remediation services of ServiceMaster where needed at the buildings. ServiceMaster was utilized the day after the event to extract and dehumidify water inside BLMS where it had infiltrated the building during the storm.

Loss of power was a significant issue for the district after the storm. Power was lost at AES, JCES, CES, BLMS and BHS. The food at several of these locations needed to be moved to other locations so that it did not spoil. The district was able to successfully move the food so that it was not lost.

Prospective member, Brian Eisinger, asked if the district had any ability to shift the electrical load to needed areas of the district or its buildings. Mr. Gordon clarified that at sites with generators such as BHS, the district is able to utilize the generator power to assist with the recovery. However, in most situations the district is not able to shift the electrical capacity from one portion of the building to another or from one building to another to assist with emergency needs. At this time there is still a reliance on portable generators during an emergency event to assist with power needs.

Dr. Daberkow inquired if the district has an idea of the total cost of the storm damages at this time? Mr. Gordon shared that it was still too early in the process to put a number to the overall damages.

# **New Facility Planning**

Mr. Gordon advised that the Elementary #17 (PCES) project is still running ahead of schedule. Life safety testing is currently underway. The district hopes to take full possession of the building in May of 2024.

The Academy expansion project is also moving along well. It got somewhat of a slow start, but good weather has allowed Robertson Construction to make up some time. The project is anticipated to be complete by the start of the 2024-2025 school year, but the timeline will be tight to the finish.

At this time, planning for all new schools for the district is on hold due to the failed levy passage in March. The Bean-Oller site (ES #18) was selected through the EPA application process by SHPO (State Historical Preservation Office) for an archeological dig process/review at the location. It is likely that this process will still proceed at this time, so as not to delay the start of a new school building at the location if a future levy is passed.

### **General Business**

Sharon Jurawitz shared with members that Steven Totzke had submitted his resignation from the Facilities Committee.

Prospective member, Brian Eisinger, was in attendance at the evening's meeting. Mr. Eisinger expressed continued interest in becoming a regular member of the Facilities Committee.

Members had received Mr. Eisinger's professional resume prior to the evening's meeting for review. Sharon Jurawitz and Dave King had also met with Mr. Eisinger in advance of the evening's meeting to discuss his experience and potential membership on the committee.

Sharon Jurawitz called for a motion to recommend Mr. Eisinger as a regular member of the Facilities Committee to the Board of Education for approval

Frank Eisenhower moved and Greg Rogers seconded the motion. All in attendance were in support of the motion and none were opposed. Motion carried.

The Business Office will submit the above recommendation for review on an upcoming BOE agenda.

### Influencers

The failure of the district's March levy request is the most impactful issue facing district planning and operations at this time.

It is not known at this time when the district will proceed with another levy request or what changes will be implemented in the district as a result of resources that will not be available from the proposed levy package.

The district is looking to the Board of Education for direction at this time relevant to this issue.

Sharon Jurawitz called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Greg Rogers moved and Frank Eisenhower seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Facilities Committee meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

The next monthly meeting is tentatively, scheduled for 5/1/2024.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Gordon