

MINUTES
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #120
BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2024, 3:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Gary Ferrari, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Gary Ferrari, Committee Chair, Dr. Rose Marie Lynch, and Mr. Scott Pescetto

ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Mr. Mike Kmetz, Kmetz Architect Inc., Mr. Tim Tomminello, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Mrs. Jennifer Does, Business Manager, and Mrs. Jennifer Riva, Board Secretary

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR AUGUST 5, 2024, COMMITTEE MEETING

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve minutes for August 5, 2024, committee meeting, as presented. Voting Aye: Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Ferrari; Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS & FINANCING RECOMMENDATION FY25-26

Dr. Wroblewski informed the committee that Administration reviewed and reprioritized the list of FY25 -FY26 facility improvements. The committee discussed the projected cost estimates for all projects totaling \$9,587,400 (excluding architect fees and contingencies). Funding sources will include HLS amendments, Working Cash Bonds, and a Special Education Grant (for Sip-N-Savor). Dr. Wroblewski highlighted the addition of the Support Staff Office Renovation to the FY26 projects, with the primary focus remaining on the FY25 projects. Preliminary fees will be covered by HLS reserves until HLS bonds are sold. The financing for the bonds will be structured in a way that avoids any tax increase.

ACCEPT TO RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE PRESENTED FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS & FINANCIAL PLAN

MOTION by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Pescetto to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve the presented facility improvements and financial plan. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, and Mr. Ferrari. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

Dr. Wroblewski also updated the committee on a very motivated group of AG students and families to revitalize the AG program and requested approval to initiate a capital campaign for a new AG Building, projected to cost \$2 million. L-P is collaborating with IVCC to offer a course in the spring and additional courses next year. He plans to hold an evening meeting with AG families and local businesses next month to discuss IVCC courses, gather student feedback to ensure the pathway aligns with their needs, and organize a capital campaign.

ACCEPT TO RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO INITIATE A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR A NEW AG BUILDING

MOTION by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Pescetto to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve to authorize the Superintendent to initiate a Capital Campaign for a new AG Building. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, and Mr. Ferrari. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

SUMMER 2024 FACILITY PROJECT UPDATES

Dr. Wroblewski, Mr. Kmetz, and Mr. Tomminello provided a status report updating the committee on the following:

Howard Fellows Stadium Renovation: Most of the signage has been installed, the doors at field level are framed, and ramps traffic coated. Concrete work is ongoing, with a target completion date of October 31st.

L-P SPORTS COMPLEX PHASE II UPDATE

Discus - The poles and netting are onsite. Awaiting an installation date from Byrne and Jones

Security Camera Installation – Installation and programming is complete, and the cameras system is functional

Press Box Windows – Awaiting a start date from Koolmaster

Pitching Cage Security – Mr. Tomminello will be speaking with Byrne and Johnes regarding pricing on the additional safety precautions to the bullpens to protect athletes and spectators from arrant balls during warmups. Estimated completion by the end of the month.

KOWALSKI SUPPORTED PROJECTS UPDATE Early Childhood Playground

Early Childhood Playground: The project will be completed this month, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony scheduled in October.

Health Occupations Classroom (Dolan Building)

Dr. Wroblewski recommended a motion to let bids for the Health Occupations Classroom Renovation.

ACCEPT TO RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE TO LET BIDS FOR THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS CLASSROOM RENOVATION

MOTION by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Pescetto to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve to let bids for the Health Occupations Classroom Renovation. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, and Mr. Ferrari. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

OTHER

Mr. Kmetz will issue an RFP to Vissering for the refinishing of the original dedication plaque in Howard Fellows Stadium.

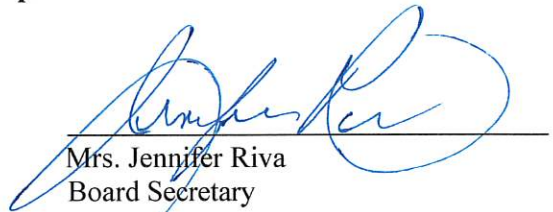
Mr. Tomminello updated the committee that the washing machine failed and has been replaces with a new/more efficient unit, the trees at the north end of Howard Fellows Stadium are scheduled for maintenance, and Otis has been onsite from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily for the Dolan Building Elevator Modernization project.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Dr. Lynch, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, and Mr. Ferrari; Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried. Time 4:04 p.m.**



Mr. Gary Ferrari
Committee Chair



Mrs. Jennifer Riva
Board Secretary