

Community Facilities Meeting

Thursday, October 6, 2016



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Rootstown Local Schools

Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

- * Discuss district facility needs
- * Provide information on possible solutions from:
 - * GPD Group
 - * Rockmill Financial
- * Gain input from community members regarding how the school district should move forward
- * Next Meeting is November 7th at 7:00pm

Rootstown Local School District **SNAPSHOT**

- * **1,250 Students**
- * **150 Employees**
- * **Approximately 8,225
community members**



Current Initiatives: Facilities

For several years we have known something needs to be done

- * Professional assessments
- * Visible to the community
- * Competitive
- * Buildings' Ages:
 - * Middle School – 1916
 - * Elementary School – 1958
 - * High School – 1966
- * “Facilities” is an important agenda item at each meeting:
 - * Discussions are constantly taking place
 - * We are in a constant state of improvement/repair/reaction

Current Initiatives: Facilities

We strive to maintain what we have:

- * Stadium parking lot
- * Elementary School parking lot
- * Middle School parking lot
- * Commitment to purchase one bus each year
- * Electrical upgrade in Elementary School
- * Elementary School boiler
- * Middle School boiler
- * Middle School roof repairs
- * Middle School pipe repairs

Current Initiatives: Facilities

Facility Options:

- * Continue to maintain current buildings
- * Renovate and remodel on current site
- * New construction on or off-site
- * State funds (OFCC) 41%

Each option must be carefully and thoroughly reviewed:

- * Cost / feasibility
- * Timeline
- * Historical significance of current buildings
- * Location
- * Continue providing high quality education

Major Considerations: Facilities

Safe environment that promotes student growth

- * Efficient heating and cooling technology
- * Airflow and air quality
- * Technology support
- * 21st Century learning environment

Facilitates: extra-curricular activities

- * Athletic fields
- * Practice fields
- * Meeting rooms and storage for clubs and organizations
- * Auditorium

Legally compliant facilities

- * ADA Accessibility

District Response

The District has a duty to perform responsible due diligence

- * Hired GPD Group, an architectural and engineering firm specializing in education, to perform a feasibility study.
- * Hired a real estate attorney from Brouse McDowell, specializing in land use planning, zoning, and economic development.
- * Performed community phone survey to obtain community feedback
- * Hired Rockmill Financial to assist in exploring **all** funding options

Where We Are

We
are
here

Planning Phase

Design Phase

Procurement Phase

Construction Phase

Basic Plan

Project Startup

- Creation of PM policy outline
- Preparation of plan requirements
- Creation of a basic plan
- Creation of a master schedule
- Creation of an overall project budget (written budget)
- Development of procurement policy
- Others

Design Management

Design Optimization

- Designer selection support / contractor selection support
- Design schedule management
- Plan review
- Cost review
- Value engineering (VE) proposals
- Others

Procurement Support

Minimization of Costs

- Proposal of procurement
- Creation of request for proposal (RFP)
- Explanatory meetings regarding vender estimates
- Candidate interviews
- Comparison and examination of vender estimates
- Assessments and negotiation support
- Others

Construction Management

Achievement of the client's objectives

- Construction kick-off event
- Confirmation of construction supervision policy
- Confirmation of execution plan and processes
- Construction progress monitoring
- Management for additions and changes
- Attendance at various inspections
- Others

Survey

- * Triad Research Group
- * Phone Survey in May of 2016
- * Goal of survey was to find the opinion of community members towards:
 - * Quality of Education
 - * How informed the community is about the schools
 - * The district's use of money
 - * Condition of current school buildings
 - * Support for a building plan
 - * Preferred location of a new school

Survey Results

- * Quality of Education:

- * 77% Excellent /Good
- * 16% Fair/Poor
- * 7% Not Sure

- * Informed about the school:

- * 74% Very/Somewhat Informed
- * 25% Not Very Informed/Not Informed at all
- * 1% Don't Know

Survey Results

- * Trust the Schools do a good job with tax money:

- * 67% Strongly Agree/Agree
- * 25% Disagree/ Strongly Disagree
- * 8% Don't Know

- * Condition of School Buildings:

- * 37% Good Condition/Minor repairs
- * 45% Major repairs/Need Replaced
- * 12% Some of Each
- * 6% Don't Know

Survey Results

- * Building One New School for all Grades:

- * 49% Strongly Favor/Favor
- * 43% Oppose/ Strongly Oppose
- * 8% Not Sure

- * Replacing the Ballfields:

- * 57% Strongly Favor/Favor
- * 34% Oppose/ Strongly Oppose
- * 9% Not Sure

- * Including an Auditorium:

- * 70% Strongly Favor/Favor
- * 28% Oppose/ Strongly Oppose
- * 2% Not Sure

Next Steps

- * Before any facility decisions are made:
 - * More community meetings
 - * Next meeting is November 7th at 7:00pm
 - * Continue to share information and ideas
 - * Obtain community input and feedback
- * Board of Education will base all facility decisions on the community's input