

**Beaver Dam Unified School District
Board of Education Proceedings**

December 19, 2022

A special meeting of the Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education was held on the above date at Educational Service Center. President, Chad Prieve, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Isaac Dornfeld, Marge Jorgensen, John Kraus, Jr., Mary Kuntz, Maria Mason, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski. Board members absent: None.

Mr. DiStefano, Superintendent, reviewed the goals for the workshop, which included gaining an understanding of the direction for a long-range plan related to capital projects associated with the Middle School, Washington and Wilson Elementary schools.

Ms. Malkovich, Director of Business Services, reviewed the 5-Year Facility Plan approved by the board in July 2019. The plan was intended to have flexibility and financial feasibility with an authorization of \$5M of Fund 38 debt in the Fall of 2019 to address the district's long-term needs. She reviewed the list of completed projects and the general findings from the facility study presented at the workshop in November. She shared the Facility Assessment Summary, which included the priority items and costs for the Middle School, Washington and Wilson Elementary schools. The assessment summary included a variety of issues including operational needs related to HVAC, plumbing, ADA accessibility, instructional limitations, educational adequacy and capacity, and site safety/accessibility.

Mr. DiStefano reviewed the Capacity Analysis Summary that included student enrollment guidelines/targets and actual student enrollment by grade and school for the Middle School, Washington and Wilson Elementary schools. He explained the difference between building enrollment capacity and functional capacity and shared the current enrollment. Each building has space to increase student enrollment.

Mr. DiStefano reviewed the Executive Summary from the staff survey given by ISG. Staff from all three schools stated there is a lack of confidential space for work, lack of parking, lack of electrical outlets and storage, and a need for improved temperature control.

Board members provided comments and feedback regarding the facility study, capacity analysis, and survey information.

Ms. Malkovich reviewed future options for Washington and Wilson Elementary schools. Options include maintaining the current configurations and address operational and maintenance issues as they arise; maintaining the current configurations and address priority 1 and 2 needs through referendum borrowing; adjust configuration to allow for Washington and Wilson Elementary schools to combine and prioritize efforts through borrowing as referenced; or build a new 3 section elementary school at the current Washington site.

Board members provided comments and feedback on the options presented for Washington and Wilson Elementary schools.

Ms. Malkovich reviewed the options for the Middle School which includes attempting to maintain the building and site to the best of the district's ability without borrowing for operational or maintenance realities; address priority 1 and 2 needs through referendum borrowing; or build a new middle school through referendum borrowing. She discussed the budget realities and that the district would be losing ground by continuing to fund projects at the current Middle School.

Board members provided comments and feedback about the options for the Middle School.

The board discussed options for community feedback on a future referendum and stated they value a multi-section school format for all elementary schools. Administration will present an updated 5-year facility plan to the board for approval in January or February.

Mr. Woreck, District Facilities & Safety Officer, presented a list of maintenance projects to be completed during the Summer of 2023. The cost of projects is targeted to be approximately \$600,000. There was discussion regarding possible projects, funding sources, and immediate vs. future needs. The list of projects and costs will be presented for approval at the January regular monthly board meeting.

Kraus moved, Tyjeski seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

/s/
Chad Prieve, President

/s/
Marge Jorgensen, Clerk