

April 25, 2017 School Board Meeting

Attendees: Bob, Nick, Kania, Carman, Verena, Sue

PreK meeting called to order 6:13

20 students moving up to kindergarten next year. PreK next year 23 full day, 3 ½ day students enrolled.

Karinda discussed balance sheet. Check on Paypal fees, discussed whether parents should pay those or continue to have the school absorb them.

Motion to approve budget: Bob, seconded by Kania, all in favor.

Public comment: none

PreK adjourned at 6:23

Presentation by Envoy

Envoy is a construction management firm with a lot of experience with schools, especially in central Indiana, with renovations, expansions and new construction. Envoy would work with an architect to help create what we are looking for. John, from Envoy discussed the phases of what they would do to get us from point A to point B: Planning/Organizing Phase -> Design Phase -> Bidding Phase -> Contracting Financing Phase-> Preconstruction Phase -> Construction Phase -> Occupancy Phase -> Warranty Phase There are several ways we can go about this: design, bid, build general contractor. Another way is construction management: design, bid, build, construction management. Design build is another way to go, it could add approximately 9 months to project, but may be more economical. Another way is: build, operate, transfer. This will allow us to proceed without public bid, which may allow us to save money and most expedient.

Scott recommends 1. Build, Operate, Transfer. 2. Design, Build, CM

If we choose to use Envoy, (after talking to our attorney) we would give them an idea of what we are looking for and an idea of our budget, then allow them to talk to architects to preliminarily design something. Lancer and BB could be a possible architect.

GMA School Board called to order: 7:16

Motion to approve minutes- passed

Executive director's report:

529 plan through Hancock County Promise will provide \$25, plus what we sponsor for all incoming kindergarteners.

We can not use technology grant because it was required to have a career center, which we do not have. But Sue will continue to try to get facility grant.

We have collected \$20,000 in material fees for next year. Karinda is continuing to collect fees for this year.

Sue and Karinda met with the carpet company, after having inspectors coming out to inspect the carpet. Sue has asked for a \$20,000 refund. He is discussing with the company and will get back with us.

Finance committee report:

Karinda went over the financials, including budget and P&L. We have pulled our funds from the investment account and now have that in our account. We have paid \$550,000 for the land. We have \$30,000 for counseling grant. Next year we are budgeting for 400 students. Karinda presented next year's budget. We will vote next month for approval.

Facilities:

Bob would like to have a budget approved tonight that the facilities committee can work with. We need to make a decision on which company to go with based on who can accomplish our goals on time and budget. We have met with Gibson and Envoy so far.

Carman motions to approve the facilities budget of \$6.5 million. Sue, and the facilities committee can then make decisions concerning the use of the budget. If cost exceeds this amount, we will need to meet again to approve. Kania seconds, motion passes.