

5-27-2020

3:33 pm – High School Student Learning Center/WebEx

Clinton Community School Board Workshop

Attended: Dale Wingerd, Shirley Harris, Chad Erickson, Steve Clegg, Kelly Schmidt, Monica VanTuyle, Superintendent Cracraft

Absent: Kevin Ward

Also via WebEx: Mimi Scott, Jennifer Ellis, Eric Claus, Kevin Beazley, Jack Hartung

IDI Facilities Evaluation

The Board recognizes that the facilities are aging, that there are growth concerns/capacity issues the last couple years and they would like to address one or both of these issues. IDI has completed two facilities evaluations that the Board will be reviewing with the administrative team. The Board is exploring extending existing bonds and possible millage. The Board would like to review the evaluation and give some sense of “prioritization” to their respective wish lists for their buildings.

Board Office – There shouldn’t be any money put into that building. Possibly move to the preschool building (?)

Preschool – Additional space is needed, perhaps one more classroom (to accommodate the current wait list), and a multipurpose room/gym. The last two years there has been approximately 80% return from preschool to school enrollment, with an increase to 90% the last couple years.

Elementary School – Ideally, it would be best to house all grade levels in the same building. More space would be ideal for specials, conference room for families, recovery space for students, no “doubled-up” rooms. There was discussion on moving Grades 4, 5 & 6 into the MS building . . . or possibly adding on to the elementary building (which would be more cost effective?). There is a local survey about how many parents may entertain homeschooling next year, so that may be a factor to consider.

Middle School – Consider moving Grades 7 & 8 to the HS or add on to the MS. The MS needs a lot of work – new locker room, new bathrooms, cafeteria, teacher lounge, office is cramped. MS athletics is an issue, there is a major lack of space, especially since the HS uses a lot of the MS facilities. LOTS of work to be done, regardless of what grade levels are housed there. Discussion on bringing in Grades 4 & 5, and moving Grades 6, 7 & 8 (or just 7 & 8) to the HS.

Maybe just add onto the Elementary, move Board Office to MS, move MS to HS (?).

High School – The HS itself doesn’t need space for classes, but does need space for locker rooms, competitive gymnasium, cafeteria and student center. The auditorium needs cleaned up (mostly dressing it up), and there may be some work needed to the HVAC. It may make sense to make this a 7-12 building (not sure about Grade 6).

Facilities – Jack Hartung commented that the Board office and the MS are in the worst shape. The biggest question the Board needs to ask itself is do they want to save money and retrofit for maybe 10

years, or go with new construction and something that is going to last more like 25 years? He did add that he has experience working in a Grade 6-12 building and there seemed to be issues with the 6th grade in that situation.

Meeting Adjourned - 5:12pm

Recorded by Karen Perez