

**Plum Borough School District
Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes
May 2012**

Date: May 15, 2012

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Board Room, Senior High School

Purpose: Discuss Facilities Matters for the Month of May 2012

Committee Members: Mr. McMasters, Chairperson; Mr. Zucco and Mr. Dowdell, Committee Members

Administrative Representatives: Dr. Glasspool, Mr. Brewer, Dr. Rossi, Mr. Marraccini, Solicitor Price

Aramark Representative: Mr. Bob Holleran Facility Director

Construction Representatives: Mr. Steve Ackerman, LR Kimball, Architects

Mr. Dennis Russo, Russo Construction, Owner's Representative

I. Call Meeting to Order at 6:03pm

II. Citizen's Comments:

A. On agenda Items.

Melanie Finley, Plum resident and owner of "Sports and Recreation Associates" expressed much dismay at her company not being chosen as the low bidder for the new Pivik playground (action item #4). She said her bid "exceeded expectations" citing some spec details. She said the winning bidder ("BYO Playground") is "just a distributor" not an installer and wondered why she was not afforded an opportunity to meet with the Pivik PTO or Principal to discuss her proposal. In response to Ms. Finley, Mr. Brewer said he provided the Committee, Pivik PTO, Pivik Principal, Construction Manager and Owners Rep all renderings of Playground data/specs and "took himself out of the equation" and let others decide. A poll taken by Pivik students "overwhelmingly" preferred the BYO Model. He concluded by saying that the PTO President indicated that the PTO would "pay the difference" in the costs to keep the BYO model. Mr. Russo also gave a detailed account of the reasons for choosing the BYO model over the others, including Ms. Finley's company. Finally, Solicitor Price told Ms. Finley that it was "too bad" she didn't rep BYO products and that she was "limited" in what she could provide, and that another vendor did provide this product, using a "Ford vs. Chevy" analogy. He concluded by saying that the District has the right to choose whatever model it prefers at the price it prefers. Former Board members Mr. Jeff Russo and Mr. Jeff Matthews both spoke about discussion item # 2, the new Pivik Dedication Plaque. Mr. Matthews asked whose names were going to be on the plaque. Mr. Russo said it was his "my ideas for the new Pivik and my idea for the location" of the new Pivik and that countless hours were put in by former Board Members and administrators. He it was "very distressing" to see a plaque design that did not include any of the original "planners" of the new school. Mr. Matthews said that former Superintendent Dr. Naccaratti's name should be on the plaque. In response, Mr. McGough said previous plaques in the District did include former Board Members and Administrators. Further discussion ensued amongst Board Members about design layout, names, etc. Mr. Drake pointed out that this was a "discussion" agenda item not an "action" item and that it is open to discussion. Both Mr. Russo and Mr. Matthews concluded by thanking the Board Members for their time. Dr. Glasspool said he will load various Plaque options on to the BMX for Members to review.

B. On non-agenda items.

Michele Zanateli and Dee Spencer, parents of Adlai students, expressed concerns about urine smells outside classroom windows, vandalism and the presence of older kids hanging around the school both during school hours and after school hours, and asked Dr. Glasspool what he was going to do about it. Dr. Glasspool responded that he understands their concerns and has discussed this with the Plum Police Department and will try to address during the summer. Ms. Spencer said her son was "approached by men outside the school". Dr. Glasspool said he was "unaware" of adults being on school property and that "action will be taken". Further Board discussion ensued about security, extra Police patrols, etc, with Mr. Drake asking about the security in regards to roof access in the back of the school. Dr. Glasspool said he will tour the facility tomorrow with Mr. Holleran and Principal Jason Knisely and "make a plan" to address concerns.

III. Agenda Action Items:

1. Recommend approval of Use of Facilities Applications as presented for the following:

Organization	Date of use	School/Area
PBSA	thru July 31 st	HS Baseball Field
PHS Soccer Boosters	June 5 th	HS Cafeteria
Regency PTA	June 1 st	Parking lot
Regency PTA	May 29 th	Cafeteria

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

2. Recommend approval of 3 year Renewal Agreement with Aramark to provide Management Services and Cleaning Supplies as attached:

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

3. Request Board Permission to advertise for bids for High School Stadium Track resurfacing repair work.

A brief Board discussion was held about various options, budget costs, time lines, etc.

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

4. Recommend approval to award bid to BYO Playground for new Pivik Playground Equipment, installation and surfacing in the amount of \$75, 845.68. This represents the lowest responsible bidder.

Ms. Finley again objected to the awarding of the bid and alluded to the additional cost to taxpayers during the current budget crisis. Mr. Dowdell said he is "uncomfortable" with not accepting the low bid. Further Board discussion ensued about the various models of Playgrounds, student's involvement in the process, and the potential PTA donation to the project. Mr. Drake wanted to "remind" the Committee that the funds for this project are not from the General Fund but the FFE budget. Dr. Glasspool concluded by saying that Mr. Brewer will upload all info to the BMX for Members to peruse before the Voting Meeting.

Committee Recommendation: Move to Public Agenda for Board vote

5. Recommend approval to award bid to Rhino Construction for Stadium Grandstand Erosion Project In the amount of \$26,450.00. This represents the lowest responsible bidder.

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

6. Recommend approval of Act 39 GSA for Sunrise School.

Dr. Glasspool and Mrs. White explained in detail the cost per year to the district as being a part of the Consortium that supports Sunrise. Board discussion ensued about the process, annual funding, savings and the impact on future budgets. Mrs. White also explained the Eric Ryan Corp part in the GSA. Further discussion was held about Regency Park's possible use of Act 39 for Energy Upgrades. Solicitor Price concluded by further explaining the process of savings/adjustments upon approval.

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

IV. Informational Discussion Items:

1. Construction Updates:

A. New Pivik Elementary Project / Softball Field updates:

Mr. Ackerman, LR Kimball – New Pivik Elementary School and Softball Field

Mr. Russo, Russo Construction – New Pivik Elementary School and Softball Field.

Mr. Russo handed out Progress manuals for both new Pivik and the HS Softball Field. He anticipates The field being completed by June 15th. A decision on the new Pivik plaque will also be needed ASAP if the Board wants it installed for Dedication Ceremony August 20th. He also commended the Softball Field progress and improvements done to the Baseball Field recently.

Mr. Zucco commented that he “doesn’t care at all” if his name is on a Plaque at new Pivik. He also said the District should look into purchasing an “odor killer” for urine smells outside Adlai and is in favor of the BYO Playground Bid award.

A lengthy Board discussion ensued about the Dedication Plaque, with Mr. Drake stating he is in “ok” with additional names being added but asked how to determine which names. Mr. McGough also stated he is in favor of additional names being added.

On a side note, Mr. Russo said the owner of Jackson Hardware is interested in purchasing the old bleachers that used to be at the old Pivik Soccer Field. These items will be designated as “unused and unnecessary” at the June Facility Meeting. The price will be whatever the District would have received for recycling the bleachers.

2. New Pivik Plaque design/installation.

Committee Recommendation: Move to approve to Public Agenda

Mrs. White had questions about the existing plaque at Pivik, and said she would like to have it moved to the new Pivik. No decision was made on this matter.

3. Design cost for Site/Storm water issues at new Pivik.

Mr. Russo updated the Board on this matter, and said a \$3500.00 cost will be associated with upgrading the Storm water system.

3. Discuss recent inspections conducted by Pittsburgh Stage Inc. on HS Auditorium Stage rigging/curtains and Wrestling Mat Hoist.

Mr. Holleran gave a brief update on recent 3rd party inspections conducted on Stage Rigging and the Wrestling Mat Hoist at the Senior High school. Both have been deemed safe and a certificate for the stage needs to be given to District Insurance carrier.

V. Review and Discuss Elementary Construction /New Softball Field Invoices as attached for Nello, Massaro, Russo Construction, and Andrews & Price as attached.

Some Board members questioned the amount of the recent Duquesne Light bill. Mr. Russo said he has had lights on all night to help deter vandalism but recently stopped doing this since doors are installed and being locked nightly. The new Pivik School address will be 151 School Road.

VI. New Business Roundtable.

Mr. McMasters said Mr. Drake has been working on potential timelines for Elementary School Renovations. Mr. Drake passed out a Logistical Timeline Worksheet to all Board Members and Administrators and explained the sheet. Board discussion ensued about timelines, how to pay for renovations, including Using a portion of the Fund Balance to earmark for renovations. Mr. Collela Said a "five year plan" is needed, with involvement of the Finance Committee and Business Manager. A lengthy Board discussion followed about the overall scope of work, projected costs and timelines.

VII. Next Facilities Meeting: Tuesday, June 19, 2012

VIII. Adjournment at 8:11pm.