

**Grapevine-Colleyville ISD
Bond Steering Committee**

**Meeting 6
Thursday, February 3, 2005**

The sixth meeting of the GCISD Bond Steering Committee was held on February 3, 2005, in the Timberline Elementary Enrichment Center.

The meeting began at 6:10 p.m. with Paula Barbaroux explaining the contents of handouts.

Revised Committed and Uncommitted List of Facility Needs

The members were asked to disregard previous lists because reports have been updated and revised with amounts and line item descriptions. The revised reports are based on a more complete definition of what qualifies for classification as "Committed." Additionally, a new breakout of Athletic line items has been pulled out of the Uncommitted List.

Facility Capital Requests: List of Committed Items:

This single sheet describes exactly why an item made it to the committed list: ADA, Safety, MEP, Roof, Structural, or for a new category: Food Service Equipment required to meet the Texas Department of Agriculture regulations.

Q: Do we now have a higher confidence level as to the accuracy of classification?

A: Yes, because the district performed a line by line review based on the new, more exacting criteria. For example, a light fixture that offers energy cost savings is not a safety issue, and was moved from the Committed List to the Uncommitted.

The new categorization results in:

\$ 41,316,030	Committed
\$ 90,347,784	Uncommitted
\$ 22,801,654	Athletics
\$154,465,168	ORIGINAL TOTAL
\$ 7,469,865	FF&E
\$ 1,973,152	Cameras & Card Readers
\$ 18,695,750	Technology
\$182,603,935	GRAND TOTAL

Paula reminded committee members of the overall bond dept capacity of the District and the tax impact of various amounts. For example, up to \$63,850,000 of bond items does not require a tax increase. Every \$12,195,000 over \$63,385,000 equals approximately a 1-cent tax increase.

Middle School Fine Arts Comparison

This single color sheet is an analysis of usage per facility compared to typical educational program capacity and a comparison between campuses. The square footage analysis does not factor in use of portables. Since expansion of a facility may be complicated, the Construction/Renovation subcommittee will look at this data and information along with schematics of the facilities to determine a cost-effective manner to assess and accommodate the fine arts program needs.

Revised FF&E Report

Cameras have been taken off this list. Formerly un-priced items are now priced.

Security Camera and Card Reader Requests

Revised reports were provided to the Technology subcommittee members. New materials included the campus-specific rationales for the requests. The District is still working on an administrative recommendation.

Engineer's Preliminary Assessment of CHHS Baseball Field

Three (3) drawings and a written report were provided for examination by the Athletics Subcommittee.

Population Projections

John Allison prepared this report for use by the Construction/Renovation Subcommittee. It examines the population growth statistics and the impact on classroom needs at each campus between now and the Year 2013. The report does not include transfer students, Pre-K program students, and Special Education students. It takes into consideration combined Art/Spanish rooms and counselor use of classrooms.

Meeting Conflicts

Meeting conflicts are cropping up. Members were asked to decide by the next meeting whether to re-schedule March 3 for March 7. Also, members are to consider whether April 12 can be moved to April 11 or April 13.

Leon Leal and Sue Harry, the committee co-chairs, assumed control of the meeting.

Sue asked the members for questions or corrections to the January 20 meeting minutes. None were announced. Sue passed out the BSC Guidelines as confirmation of the committee's vote to accept them at the January 20 meeting.

Leon discussed the presentation to the Board of Trustees and covered their questions and suggestions.

Q: How will this bond program be presented to the community?

A: Not yet determined. Part of Phase II.

Q: How are the committees divided up?

A: Voluntary sign up for those in attendance; otherwise, assigned responsibility if absent.

Q: What is the approach being used by committee members to assess community impact?

A: Leon suggested that members use different points of view during discussion.

Leon covered the timeframe for preparing the recommendation to the Board.

- Subcommittee recommendations by March 3
- Full committee review and decision-making March 17 – April 5
- Bond package approved on April 12 by committee.
- Committee presents its recommendation to Board on April 25.

Leon asked for a line item review of the Committed list. Paula asked for the review because of pricing changes and to seek committee confirmation. We then separated into subcommittees for one hour.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Construction / Renovation Subcommittee Report as reported by Loretta Ross and submitted by Lori Napier

Recommendation: Replace Portables with Classroom Additions

Rationale:

1. If a portable is being used for a permanent function, then it warrants permanent space.
2. Population growth statistics support the long-term need for permanent classrooms.

3. Portables have a short life span: 15-20 years
4. Portables are more costly to maintain
5. Portables are a prime target for vandalism
6. Portables create a safety issue for students (i.e., hostage / lockdown issue)
7. The district must continually seek waivers for portable use per Colleyville City Ordinance

NOTE: If a portable is currently being used for a temporary need, it will not be replaced with a permanent structure.

Recommendation: Support renovation/addition of fine arts facilities at 2 of the 4 middle school campuses

Adoption of this recommendation means:

1. Add new Fine Arts Wing to CMS (Item 190 @ \$1,908,666); Eliminate 8 classroom additions (Item 200 @ \$3,465,223). Potentially, provide a new estimate for reconfiguring the existing fine arts wing based on this decision.

Rationale: Addition of the Fine Arts Wing eliminates the need for the portable at CMS. Construction of a new Fine Arts Wing may require reconfiguration or redeployment of the existing fine arts area at CMS. This will be discussed in our next meeting. The cost to reconfigure the old fine arts/band area may add back in some renovation costs saved by the elimination of line item 200.

2. Reconfigure the existing fine arts area at CTMS rather than incur the cost of an addition for a band hall (line Item 260 @ \$0). NOTE: this decision adds money to the CTMS renovations total.

Rationale: Reconfiguration is a more cost-effective way to provide the needed expansion for drama and band. We reviewed the floor plans to find ways to stay away from outside walls to keep construction costs reasonable. Per Huckabee, it costs approximately \$50 per square foot to remodel space, as opposed to \$200 per square foot to construct an addition (assumes relatively small addition).

Recommendation: Proceed with cost/benefit analysis of converting CES into a location for Bridges/Vista/Special Education/District Training Facility

Rationale:

Moving Bridges to CES will eliminate \$600,924 to renovate Bridges. Per Hank Johnson, the estimated proceeds from the sale of Bridges is \$300K- \$400K. This amount should provide sufficient funds to be redirected toward re-equipping CES for adult use.

Action Item:

Per John Allison, the District employees has not yet reviewed seriously the option of using CES for other District needs and purposes. Therefore, the committee requests that the District examine the cost/benefit implications of this recommendation and prepare a recommendation of alternate uses for CES.

Recommendation: Add 14 new classrooms at HMS. Reduce HMS Item #463 @ \$2,878,993 from an Addition of 16 Classrooms down to 11 Classrooms. Accept HMS Item #458, Addition of 3 Science Labs, as presented.

Rationale:

Addition of 14 new rooms eliminates the 14 portable classrooms at HMS.

Action Items for District and Huckabee:

The committee requests clarification of CTMS Item 259 @ \$59,796. This appears to be very expensive storage.

Action Item for Construction/Renovations Committee Members:

Plan on attending a meeting on February 9 at CES at 6:00 p.m. to review line items we did not have time to discuss at the Feb 3 meeting. We have 1,000+ line items to review before March 3. As a starting point, we will review Robert Beall's report titled: "Justification Needed on These Items."

Athletics Subcommittee Report as reported by Tom Sweatt and submitted by Tim Hughes:

Introductions were made by the new Athletic Subcommittee members. Minutes from the January 20 meeting were distributed and reviewed by all members. The subcommittee reviewed the new list of athletic items pulled from the overall Uncommitted List. It was discovered that some line items were duplicated in the process of assembling the list. These items were totaled and removed from the master list. The net difference when the totals were made came to just under \$3 million (\$2,999,462). Huckabee will prepare a revised list.

Discussion was held regarding three issues: (1) the wrestling room at CHHS, (2) the drainage issue at the CHHS baseball field, & (3) the field turf issue.

CHHS Wrestling room: A two-page handout was distributed to all members with background information on the wrestling room. Historical information was discussed relating to this issue. No decision was reached on this issue at this time.

Drainage issue at CHHS baseball field: A three-page Engineer's Assessment was distributed to all members and discussion was held to better understand the issue. No decision was reached on this issue at this time.

Field turf: Input was solicited via email at the district level by the varsity coaches of football and soccer as well as input from both high school band directors as to their knowledge of the benefits and drawbacks of field turf. In most cases, this has been first-hand knowledge. Discussion was held as to the number of locations that would possibly benefit from field turf over natural grass. Mustang-Panther is the obvious first choice with the competition field at CHHS being fitted with turf as well. Discussion was held as to outfitting the field at CTMS with turf as it hosts many high school and middle events throughout the year. Discussion was held as to outfitting the remaining three middle schools with turf. No decision was reached on this issue at this time. The committee asked the district for additional information with regard to the cost of outfitting multiple fields as opposed to just M/P stadium.

FF&E Subcommittee Report as reported and submitted by Carl Ball:

The preliminary list of what members want to include is:

- Radio booster requests (11)
- Passenger and small buses (32)
- #1 priority truck replacements (11) Items 215-226

Technology Subcommittee Report as reported by Mike Taylor and submitted by Becky Lamb:

Kirk Murdock provided answers to previous technology-related questions asked by the subcommittee. A list of card readers and cameras were presented after being extracted from the Facility and FF&E list. Hot items in the technology area appeared to be laptops and projectors. Kirk Murdock conducted a survey of teachers in the district to gain information in order to assist us with our decisions. There were 10 areas surveyed including lab access, hardware preference, computer stations, printer replacement, projectors, portable laptop carts, technology availability, computer configuration and training.

Some major issues that were discussed:

- When looking at district responses, it appears that the portable laptop labs are not widely used. (Reasons cited were too much time involved in set-up, teacher not comfortable with using them and batteries not lasting long enough.)

- 95 percent of teachers have computers at home with internet access.
- Discussion occurred regarding whether to replace and/or upgrade classroom laptops/labs and a move to check out laptops. This will reduce the amount requested.
- The subcommittee agreed not to replace laptop labs based on information received through the survey.
- The subcommittee suggests having a few laptops on each campus for check-out by teachers and staff.
- Discussion occurred regarding projectors and installment per classroom. Kirk presented price lists for these installments.
- Discussion was presented about the issue of mounting these projectors vs. not mounting them. There was no decision reached during this meeting with regard to the mounting issue. Further discussion will occur at the next meeting.

Committed List Review as reported by Stacy Voight and recorded by Lori Napier:

A full review of line items was completed by this ad hoc group. Paula Barbaroux will provide clarification on 8-10 specific items identified by the group by next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next meeting is TUESDAY, February 15, 2005, from 6-8 p.m., at the Timberline Enrichment Center.

Submitted by Lori Napier, BSC Secretary