

Glenbrook District 225 Facility Committee Minutes – October 18, 2017

Members Present: Doughty, Finan, Frandson, Gravel, Ptak, Riggle, Shein, Sztainberg, Riggle, Tarver, Wright

Also Present: Ryan Manley, Zia Ahmed, John Catalano, Erin Miller (ARCON), Brian Murdy(GBS Maintenance), Jeff Zurlinden (Nicholas & Associates), Dan Whisler (GBN), and Dale Johnson (AMSCO).

The meeting convened at 7:34 am.

1. Recognition of Community Visitors:

None

2. Recommended Summer 2018 Life Safety Projects

Dr. Ptak opened the meeting by sharing a financial recap table of Life Safety bond proceeds and expenditures. She showed actual expenses for 2017 and the estimated costs of projects slated for Summer of 2018 and Summer of 2019. Of the \$15.2M bond proceeds received, excess reserve is projected to be approximately \$130,000.

Dr. Ptak reminded the committee the GBN tennis court replacement project and GBS boiler replacement will be brought forward to the October 23, 2017 board meeting as a recommendation to be added to the Life Safety amendment. All summer of 2018 projects will be brought to the October 23, 2017 meeting for discussion.

Dr. Ptak presented an overview of the proposed replacement fire alarm system at GBS. An overview of our current system configuration was provided, as well as the functionality of the new mass notification system being recommended. The committee discussed the options for the project, and discussed the history of the current system's design. Mr. Johnson, from AMSCO explained that in the event of a power outage there is a 60 hour backup, while only a 24 hour backup is required by code. The installation of this new system will take approximately one year and work during the school year will take place in the evenings. Further discussion included digital messaging which Mr. Johnson explained can be supported by this system, and can be installed at later times, on an as needed basis. Mr. Zurlinden (Nicholas and Associates) suggested that an alternate to this bid would be, at the minimum, a requirement of a 5 year service plan for the ongoing upkeep and maintenance of the system.

3. Recommended Summer 2018 Capital Projects

GBN Back Gym Reconfiguration

Mr. Catalano provided a historical perspective of the back gym configuration and its various athletic uses. Dr. Ptak shared photos showing the current seating and the limited spectator seating. Often spectators stand in the hallways to view a game, or when limited seating is available it is always in close proximity to the court boundary lines.

Dr. Ptak and Mr. Catalano provided an overview of the reconfiguration proposal with architect renderings and explained that a single large playing space could be created, which could

subsequently be divided with a curtain. This would facilitate spectator seating, and increase competition options. Mr. Catalano expanded on how versatile the new configuration would be that could potentially allow not only volleyball and basketball competitions, but gymnastics, wrestling and badminton, competitions as well.

4. **Black Box Theaters**

Dr. Ptak reminded the committee that in the Fall of 2013 a capacity study and enrollment projections were shared with the board to address concerns of GBS's growing enrollment. This meeting was followed up with meetings in the Spring where student opportunities were discussed and any impacts due to increasing enrollment. It was noted in the Spring of 2014 that both schools are at capacity in terms of performance venues. Since this meeting, there have been periodic discussions regarding Black Box Theaters; the overall purpose, cost and demand.

Dr. Ptak explained that a Black Box Theater is a flexible, versatile performance space intended to house small performances and informal presentations. It is a simple open space that serves the purpose of connecting the audience to performers in an intimate setting.

ARCON provided very preliminary renderings for discussion purposes. Black Box Theaters with a lobby, changing rooms and storage have ranged from \$3.5 - \$4.1M in other districts.

Dr. Riggle presented to the committee that the financial aspect, should be discussed with the finance committee. Another board member recommended that this topic be presented at the December 4, 2017 Finance Committee Meeting along with updated financial projections.

5. **Other**

Next Facilities Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 – 7:30 AM

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 am