

**GLENBROOK HIGH SCHOOLS
Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs
Regular Meeting – Monday – June 8, 2009**

TO: Dr. Mike Riggle

FROM: Dr. Craig A. Schilling

DATE: June 8, 2009

RE: Discussion Regarding Proposed Funding Parameters for Artificial Turf Fields for Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South High Schools

Since the discussions regarding the situation with GBN's athletic fields we've had opportunities to meet with the administrative staffs from both schools, (Principals, Athletic Directors and Assistant Athletic Directors), to discuss how we might proceed in funding the installation of artificial turf fields for both GBN & GBS. After much discussion we developed a list of parameters we'd like to propose to the board for their consideration:

PROPOSED FUNDING PARAMETERS for ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELDS for GBN & GBS

1. The goal should be to install turf fields in 2011.
2. The school community should set a goal to raise a minimum of \$1M towards the purchase & installation of the fields.
3. The funds should be raised and deposited in a district account – not the foundation.
4. Design of the fields should begin immediately with submission of plans to MWRD to occur as soon as possible.
5. The district should determine prior to the adoption of the 2010/11 budget whether it will pay cash or borrow the money for any shortfall.
6. A steering committee should be formed composed of the superintendent, principals, athletic directors, assistant athletic directors, Kim Ptak and Hillarie Siena. The board's finance committee members would serve as ad hoc members to the committee.

The parameters were reviewed with the facilities committee at our meeting on June 1st. One of the issues raised was the fact that we are redoing GBN's fields this summer and proposing artificial turf fields in 2011. Please keep in mind the differential in fixing the fields at GBN annually for two years and the price of \$240,000 we are paying for this summer's work is only \$60,000. In essence we are buying two years of usage for an extra \$60,000.

Should the board concur with the recommendations by both the administrative staff and the facilities committee we would propose the following timeline:

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| July 2009: | The board approves proposed funding for artificial turf fields including the formation of a steering committee |
| July/Aug 2009: | Steering committee meets so that the fund-raising can start with the commencement of the 2009/10 school year |
| TBD: | Work begins on plans so as to ascertain the total budget of the project. This would also include submission of plans to MWRD for comment and approval |
| Sept 2010 | The board determines how it will finance its portion of the project |
| Oct 2010 | The board approves final project and financing |
| Dec 2010 | The board issues bonds, (if necessary) |
| Jan 2011 | The board issues bids for artificial turf fields |
| Summer 2011 | Project complete |

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