WDS Board of Education Work Session Minutes

DATE:

March 17, 2025

PLACE:

CSB. Room 103

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Mahoney, Melissa Moore, Paula Martin, Shannon McGoran

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jimmy TenBrink, Tim Cross, Rachel Fekken

OTHERS PRESENT:

CJ Van Wieren, Kirsten Bolles, community member

Vice President Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Moore/Martin to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes (4) Moore, Martin, McGoran, Mahoney Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Communication from the audience

None

Operating Millage

The Operating Millage will go on the May 6, 2025 ballot. Van Wieren shared the Info and FAQ sheet – discussions around how the money is used around the operating millage took place. We are waiting for the list from the County Clerk's Election Office of Absentee Voters and we will be sending the flyer to those individuals. McGoran asked what was on the staff survey? She also commented that we need more than just social media to get the word out. She's had some good talks with community members recently and hopes that we're getting the information out to the right people. On social media, are we able to turn off the comments? Van Wieren replied that we can, though he sometimes likes to leave them on, as it allows people to ask questions. He also stated that the steering committee was meeting Thursday, March 20, 2025.

Future Bond Proposal

At last month's work session, the project estimates from Clark Constructions totaled around \$43 million dollars. Van Wieren was able to move some of the needs to a five-year plan, which lowered the overall total. Pure Architects will be coming in to do walk-throughs to get better numbers, instead of it being based on square footage. They will go through Shoreline, Middle and High Schools. We will have a small group of employees for Shoreline and Ealy meet with Pure Architects to discuss and address: Safety and Security, Climate, HVAC.

Met with reps from Trane – they are looking into savings and energy grants.

McGoran cautioned not to rush into a bond proposal, especially right after the operating millage. We need to take our time and do our homework. The operating millage is obviously most important right now.

Superintendent Evaluation

We need to consider scheduling work sessions around this as it's due around the end of June. Maybe look at April/May for putting things together and finalizing in June.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion Martin/McGoran to adjourn.

Ayes (4) Martin, McGoran, Moore, Mahoney Nays (0) Motion Carried

Adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Paula Martin Board Secretary or Designee