

The Board of Education appointed Facilities Committee met in special session Monday, January 13, 2020 in the auditorium.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Time: 6:00 PM

II. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rick Gilbert, Professional Engineer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Danny Elam, Bethel Board of Education
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Justin Firks, Bethel Superintendent / Chairperson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lori Sebastian, Bethel Board of Education
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brennon Hattery, Bethel Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Reese, Bethel Board of Education / Secretary
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris Mills, Carriage Trails	

III. ADDITIONS to the AGENDA (if needed)

A. None.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS, MEETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. None.

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Short-term classroom space

1. Rent space – status update

Julie Reese and Danny Elam gave a brief overview of what they found out about Medway Church, located in Park Lane where the drive-in movie theater used to be:

- Danny and Julie took a tour and Justin Firks also came down to take a look. The space has great potential as temporary space for us. Danny stated that this is the best alternative that we have seen so far and Justin stated that he is “cautiously optimistic.”
- The church built a kids’ wing last year that has 6-7 decent size classrooms, some smaller classrooms, girls/boys bathrooms, a single bathroom, and a large classroom currently used as a music room. They also have a kitchen (warming license only) and a cafeteria.
- There are some items that will need further research/discussion: technology (is wi-fi sufficient?), transportation, teacher travel, admin coverage, snow removal, lack of playground, safety and security, how to provide lunch, lack of custodial services, etc.
- Pictures of the set-up, classrooms, and cafeteria were shown at the meeting and will be posted on the website.
- Justin and some of the staff will be making an additional visit to the church Friday.

2. Renovation

- Justin reported: Levin-Porter (Mike Huff) is taking a look at the effort/cost to renovate the bus barn into temporary classroom space. Estimate is not yet ready.
- Mike Huff of Levin-Porter said biggest concerns are HVAC (which may mean upgrading electrical service) and plumbing.
- Justin will forward any information he gets to the group.

3. Temporary swing space – trailer/modular units

- Justin Firks has contacted a couple of companies and has received a quote from one thus far.
- Numbers from Mobilease – Justin provided some handouts (which will be posted on the website). Numbers show options with and without restrooms, leasing versus purchasing, additional items needed to prep and install (concrete, technology, utilities, etc). Mobilease believes putting the unit behind the elementary would be easier than at the north end of the high school.
 - Julie Reese asked what the estimate does not include and Justin said it even included an aluminum canopy system and is pretty inclusive – it basically does not include furniture. Brennon Hattery stated there may be additional costs depending on the number of bollard posts required.
 - Justin Firks said if the location chosen is behind the elementary, they would have to remove the decorative fence but it could be put back.
 - Julie asked about the ground behind the elementary – are there any concerns? Justin stated that he spoke with the Fire Dept and the Township and the Zoning Commission and we are good to go for that location. Mike Huff added that he thinks the location is not where the ground issues are. Julie was concerned that the issue is when we dig if we have restrooms - the previous trailers out there did not have restrooms.
 - Lori Sebastian asked if there are any concerns of loss of playground space should the units be located behind the elementary. Mary Roll stated that they are struggling with getting all grades playground time. They do use all space currently and in fact, they can only send 2 grade levels at a time out to play due to space restrictions. Grassy area is where they play football and soccer.
 - Lead time – Mobilease felt they could have them installed by the start of the 2020-2021 school year. They said modular units could be installed, start to finish, in two months.
- Justin asked the Board if they would like 2 or 3 estimates. The Board preferred 3 estimates total. Mike Huff (Levin-Porter) knows of a company that we can ask. Justin will provide any additional information he receives to the group.

4. Metal building that could potentially be re-purposed in the future

- Justin Firks spoke with BlueScope who provided an estimate last year. He asked for an updated estimate, lead times, expedited costs, etc. He expects to have an answer within the next week to week and a half. Once he receives any info, he will forward it to the group.

5. Other alternatives

- Julie Reese mentioned that at the last meeting a concrete (pre-cast) option was proposed and asked if we have any interest in looking into it further.
- Chris Mills is doing some research on Sprout Space high-performance modular classrooms. They can be temporary or permanent. They have not gotten back to him yet. There is a ton of information on their website.
- Another idea is a metal structure “spoke” strategy – build one building as a center, then add other buildings as they are needed as spokes from the center building.

B. Master Plan development process

1. Levin-Porter discussed the OFCC provided projected student enrollment numbers for the next 10 years (2029-2030):
 - 2330 total: +744 from now - we gained 690 over the last 10 years
 - K-5: +70
 - 6-8: +227
 - 9-12: +447
 - When it is time to do the CFAP program (co-funding by the state), they will do an updated projection.
 - If we included additional space above what the program calls for, then the LFI (Locally Funded Initiative) that we spend now would be co-funded by the state when the time comes assuming the enrollment increases faster than the OFCC prediction.
2. Jacob King asked about immediate and short-term space (through 2023) that is needed and how it fits in with the Master Plan
 - Levin-Porter stated that if we build something permanent then it will count against us as square footage by the OFCC in the Master Plan.
 - Justin asked if it still applies if an outside organization (such as boosters) paid for the building. Levin-Porter said they believe it does not matter who pays for it, it would still count against our square footage that OFCC would co-fund.
3. Jacob King asked how soon will the Master Plan be completed?
 - Levin-Porter stated that plan should be done by late spring.
4. Justin asked what are next steps for the Master Plan?
 - Levin-Porter stated they have started and are reviewing OFCC documents. They will have questions such as are we demolishing any structures, are we adding on, are we building a new building, will it be multiple buildings, upgraded materials, etc. Then they will come up with costs. Also will look at LFI projects for things such as athletics, offices, additional classroom space, etc. They also need a schedule for the community forum planning meetings.
5. Levin-Porter was asked if they had any other ideas. They felt renting space from the church is probably more economical than the trailers. But there are no wrong answers. They also said you could potentially sell purchased trailers when finished with them.

C. Next steps

1. Visit to Medway Church and Justin Firks will send out an email with updates after the visit.
2. Justin Firks will email info as he receives it:
 - Renovation of bus barn
 - Additional trailers/modular units estimates
 - Metal building estimates
3. Chris Mills will investigate Sprout Space
4. Schedule facilities community forums

D. Hearing of the public

1. Meeting was interactive and several attendees provided suggestions and/or questions during the meeting.
2. No formal “hearing of the public” comments were submitted.

E. Next meeting(s) date, time (unless otherwise announced on the Bethel web site)

1. February 10, 2020 @ 6:00 pm (prior to the regular Board meeting)
2. Meetings will be the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00 pm, additional meetings will be added if necessary.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Danny Elam

Second: Rick Gilbert.

Roll Call:

__Y__ Rick Gilbert, Professional Engineer

__Y__ Danny Elam, Bethel Board of Education

__Y__ Justin Firks, Bethel Superintendent / Chairperson

__Y__ Lori Sebastian, Bethel Board of Education

__Y__ Brennon Hattery, Bethel Treasurer

__Y__ Julie Reese, Bethel Board of Education / Secretary

__Y__ Chris Mills, Carriage Trails

Meeting adjourned at 7:01PM.

Julie Reese, Secretary