

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees (Board) called a Special Session to order at 6:03 pm. The meeting was held at the Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Administration Building located at 345 N. Adams Street, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

Attendance:

- Board Members: Wade Beatty, Steve Dalton, Mark Fort, Kevin Knott, Thomas Schaetzle, Timothy Wehr
- Central Office Staff: Gary Storie, Superintendent; Jena Schmidt, Administrative Assistant; Michael McKillip, Facilities Director
- School Administrator: Don Scheumann
- Architect: Schmidt & Associates-Ben Bain, Kyle Miller, Tom Neff, Kurt Schneider, Dave Worthman
- Media: Jeff Eakins
- Patrons: Approximately 3 patrons

I. Call to Order

Kevin Knott called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Roll call was taken by Jena Schmidt and stated six members were present. The Superintendent gave a brief introduction of the architectural firm contracted by the Board. The meeting was turned over to Schmidt & Associates.

II. Strategic Planning – Work Session

- Tom Neff presented a weekly timeline in an effort to receive bids by the beginning of the year to begin construction by January or February. He briefly explained the timeline. The firm would like to set up a planning work session with a Core Planning Group on Tuesday's, so an update would be ready for Wednesday Board Meetings. There were some questions regarding the permits that will be needed from the county.
- Steve Dalton asked how any zero interest loans the Board may receive would affect the proposed projects. There was some discussion. There would still be requirements set for the Board if this were to occur. Tom Neff then talked about the development of a master plan in order to prioritize projects. Each member was asked to list five critical issues to them personally.

Tom Schaetzle

- A defined budget with no increase in the tax levy
- An alignment with core beliefs developed for CAB
- Projects focused on improving the educational environment – this is not limited to facilities
- Projects that extend the useful life of facilities – those projects should show a measurable energy savings

- Projects deemed beneficial by consensus of the Board, Community, and Superintendent

Wade Beatty

- Improved air quality and student environment at KIS with an emphasis on energy efficiency
- Softball facility at KHS
- Track at either KIS or KHS
- Improved air quality and student environment at each elementary building
- Soccer field at KHS
- Outside appearance at KIS – upgrading

Kevin Knott

- Extend the life and improve air quality at KIS – upgrades to plumbing and electrical as needed – would like to tie back to core beliefs
- Public – provide information, gather feedback, continually update the community as projects unfold
- Maintain current tax levy
- Athletic facilities at the high school such as a track, girls softball field and soccer field
- Air quality – air conditioning in three elementary buildings

Steve Dalton

- Arrive in an optimal scope that values our kids and taxpayers
- Expenditures on facilities greatly enhance value and marketability of community
- Completion of long overdue outdoor athletic facilities at KHS to help students succeed and develop student life
- No increase in tax levy and full disclosure to community – total transparency
- Pursue projects that truly make a difference for our kids, less cosmetic and more substantive difference for our kids

Mark Fort

- No higher taxes – keep public informed
- Study all schools to see where we can save money in order to know where we are going
- Fix things that are “really bad” at KIS, such as water piping and HVAC
- New sports complex at KHS – Move dirt once (concerning athletic fields)
- Enrollment – scared that it will decline

Tim Wehr

- Air conditioning at elementary schools – air quality for students
- Water piping at KIS
- Know the condition of the roofs at each building
- Know any unknown issues any facility may have
- Athletic facilities at KHS

Steve Dalton also asked the firm if they could look at options that may be available if the Board would decrease by one building. Tom Neff asked the Board their thoughts on a Core Group. The Superintendent gave some suggestions of groups of members as participants.

The Superintendent then stated a meeting will be held at 9:30 am on Tuesday in his office for an initial meeting with the Core Group and Board Members.

III. Other

There were no other items to come before the Board.

IV. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Wade Beatty moved to adjourn at 7:36 pm.

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VICE PRESIDENT

MEMBER

SECRETARY

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