

Highland Community Schools
Board of Directors Work Session
Monday – November 28, 2022
5:00 p.m. – Highland Board Room

The work session was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Nate Robinson.

Dan Ruth, Josh Thomann, Rachel Longbine, Monica Jepson and Nate Robinson were present. Melissa Murphy and Mike Golden were absent. Also present were Ken Crawford, Superintendent, Jane O’Leary, Elementary Principal and Sue Rich, Board Secretary.

Ruth made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 5-0

Cory Quail - Football & Weight Room Program Update

Bigger, Faster, Stronger is a program being used by both the football team and PE students in grade 6-12. Students are at different levels of the program but many improvements have been made since the program started. Right now there are 123 participants in the program. The football program has purchased several items for the weight room including weights, mirrors, battle ropes and a music system with help from the booster club. Overall the football program is behind on updating safety equipment and will need to purchase new shoulder pads and helmets. The cost will be around \$15,000 and Coach Quail is hoping to find ways to raise money for the equipment.

Riverside Community Visioning Committee

City Administrator, Christine Yancey and well as Annie and Robin from the visioning committee spoke about the traffic flow around the school and on Schnoebelen street. There was some discussion with board members on how this could go smoother and possibly adding a street as well. They also spoke about the possible Wellness Center that would be north and west of the school with a possible child care component. This may go to a bond referendum in March and they would like to see the whole community work together on this project.

Board Committee Assignments

A possible community relations committee may be added to the board committee’s but nothing is final on this yet.

Superintendent Report

Vulnerability Assessment Update: On November 15th a conference call was done with many questions being asked about doors, locks, cameras and windows and then today they came to the

buildings to look everything over and take pictures. Since we are considered to have 3 schools per the state BEDS report we can receive up to \$150,000 for this grant.

Facilities Update: Possible facility improvements were discussed and what could be part of a possible bond issue down the road when our current GO bonds are paid off. The board would like to bring the ideas to the building committee to see where we want to go with these future projects.

Longbine made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ruth. Motion carried 5-0.

The work session adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

PRESIDENT, NATE ROBINSON

SECRETARY, SUE E RICH