

# FACILITY STUDY COMMITTEE

**January 14, 2009 – 6:00 p.m. – Board of Education Office at Hartford**

Members Present: Mike Argabright, Jerry Haag, Jill Davis, Dorothy Dunn, Bill Ballinger, and Gwen Wellnitz

Members Absent: Don Roberts, Emily Darbyshire, Michelle Barnhart, Linda Davis, Mike Klumpe, Mike Rhudy and Lisa Mautz

Others Present: Haley Rhoads

The meeting started with pizza at the Board of Education Office in Hartford at 6:00 p.m. with 6 attending.

Chairman Jerry Haag started the meeting by asking if there were any changes to the minutes from the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mike Argabright noticed the prioritized list for District Wide needs were not included in the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

Gwen Wellnitz (Dorothy Dunn) made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2008 meeting with the addition of the prioritized list for District Wide needs. Motion Carried. (5-0)

The committee reviewed the prioritized items from the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mike Argabright made the comment that it would be difficult to justify expanding at Hartford in regards to a new shop/weight room when the enrollment numbers are down. If the current shop building was in good enough shape, remodeling it to house a bigger weight room and revamp shop area including air-conditioning, dust collector, and needed updates might be something to look in to. If the building is not in good enough shape to do that, then we would have to keep looking in to building across the road. Building a new structure and having additional utility costs might not be good when enrollment is down and is continuing to drop.

Mike Argabright handed out building costs information he received to give the committee an idea on how much it would cost for the items on our list.

The committee was asked what they thought about having a consulting group come to evaluate our buildings. The purpose of the consulting group is to determine if and what might be needed to operate. They would be able to tell us what is needed in our district based on space and demographics and give us an unbiased opinion on what would be good for our district facilities.

Mike Argabright mentioned that if we did end up having a Bond Election, a few of the roof repairs should be added in while we have a chance because within 10 years a lot of work will need to be done to the roofs at all locations.

Mike Argabright discussed with committee that school administrators were informed that the new Obama Plan might result in federal money for school construction. School Districts were asked to have a plan in place.

The committee decided to wait and schedule the next meeting until after the Board decides if they are going to have a consulting firm come in and give a presentation. If they do, the committee will attend that meeting. If they chose not to have a consulting firm come, the committee will attend a Board meeting to give a presentation on the items being discussed in the Facility Study meetings.

Gwen Wellnitz (Bill Ballinger) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. (5-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Rhoads