

**Oyster River Cooperative School District  
Regular Meeting**

**October 10, 2018**

**Oyster River High School**

**7:00 p.m.**

**DRAFT**

**SCHOOL BOARD:** Denise Day, Brian Cisneros, Tom Newkirk, Dan Klein, Michael Williams, Kenny Rotner and Al Howland  
Student Representative: Patty Anderson

**ADMINISTRATORS:** Superintendent Morse, Todd Allen, Sue Caswell, Jay Richard, Suzanne Filippone

There was one member of the public present.

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Tom Newkirk at 7:00 p.m.  
Tom Newkirk announced the passing of Joe Murdock former Oyster River School Board Chair. His passing is deeply noted.

Superintendent Morse mentioned the passing of Andrew Smith who has done such a great job for us with advocacy with both adults and students.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**WORKSHOP:**

Introduction of Bauen Corporation – Construction Manager:  
Andre Kloetz Project Manager with Ron Lamarre leading the project  
Lavallee Brensinger Architects: Leigh Sherwood Designer and Anne Ketterer Project Manager

**Overview of Proposed Middle School:**

Ron Lamarre has done 16 middle schools and their office is in Manchester. Anne Ketterer detailed that they will be working with all three towns and engaging with the community to listen, plan and to refine. Once they have all the data gathered, they will share the vision in a variety of ways including social media, video, graphics and images.

Concept design process:

Kick off

Analyze

Vision defining the mission

Plan: the building should support all ideas and needs  
Create, Refine, Roll out

Sustainability:

Energy modeling, Glazing and envelope, HVAC, Daylighting performance, Site orientation, Lighting, Water use

Its all about return on investment. What is the balance of investment you are putting in to the value you are getting back is key.

Quality Assurance:

Design, Quality documents, Cost control, Project review, Construction, administration

Materials Options and Selection:

Durability, Flexibility, Sustainability

Education is the catalyst for this project.

Education Planning and Sustainability with community connections will equal success.

Middle School is about change. They become a special place in a child's education. To design a safe welcoming environment, small learning communities, flexible classrooms, STEM/Maker spaces, community use

Andre Kloetz of Bauen detailed that construction management is performed by a high experienced professional contracted by the owner to become a member of the construction team prior to the design development phase.

True construction managers do not perform any of the work in the contract. The Construction Manager provides critical costing of materials and systems plus scheduling and quality control

Process and deliverables:

Develop an initial budget for review by architect and owner

Develop a maximum price GMPS of construction long before construction bid documents are completed

Three options (Estimate):

New on existing site      109 weeks   136,600 sf new  
\$46,077,684 open 2022

New on Goss site            109 weeks plus one year 136,600 sf new  
\$48,779,716 open 2023

Add/reno project           156 weeks 106,600 sf new, 46,600 sf reno  
\$50,964,449 open 2023  
This option would lose the option of having a playing field on the property.

The building process is incorporated into the student's learning process. Ron said yes if it is done on the existing site they will be able to see the entire process. They will also be looking for feedback from the students. The students should be able to look at the facility and see how it comes together. Andre has each student go through the construction site in a supervised manner. They also enjoy going into the classrooms and talk about how to calculate concrete and see how it is used in the process.

Denise Day asked about the process to determine if they can build new on the existing site. When they renovated last time, they discovered ledge and the gym wasn't put where they originally wanted. The first thing they do is to have a site survey, do some drill borings to determine how deep the ledge is. There are ways to work with ledge.

Tom Newkirk talked of having a first-class performance space at the school. They would meet with the program leaders to determine what they are looking for. This could be a stand alone space connected to the building. There is also a possibility of an intimate space that seats 300 and can open up to 1000.

Kenny Rotner feels that the real possibilities are either building new on site or building off site. Kenny referenced the advantage of kids being able to bike to school and see the project grow with the on-site possibility. The proximity to the high school is also a value. Outside of the numbers, we know that on site is compact and that off site has more room. What could we possibly get with the more room of the off-site. There would be more room for fields and parking, but there would also be more busing needed.

Al Howland mentioned that one of the many problems with the current site is the traffic pattern. Traffic backs up along Bagdad and along Madbury Road. How would that change with the new building on the same site? And how would that change with the new site? By removing the existing school, it opens up the front yard. They would like to do an in-depth traffic study from a vehicular and pedestrian point of view.

Would the Goss site increase the busing costs? Superintendent Morse said yes, it is a remote site and it means that more kids will be transported on buses.

They intend to ask the teachers, parents and students what they like most about their school and what they would like to see in a new school. Michael Williams asked when are they going to hear the results of the inputs. They are going to be setting up a schedule and reporting back. Kenny Rotner asked if they can broaden the outreach to citizens in the community that don't have kids in the schools? They will have ideas on how to add to the design. They will be having evening meetings in each town to reach out to the folks.

Tom Newkirk feels that the Board needs to decide which site for the school and that is something to vote on at the next meeting. Dan Klein feels that a big concern is gaining the voter approval and losing site of the community's understanding of why we are doing this project. A cost analysis of what it costs to maintain the middle school now and compare it to the cost of a new school per square foot.

The Board thanked them for their presentation this evening and answering their questions.

**Abridged Regular Meeting:**

**IV. Motion to approve the public minutes of 09/26/18:**

**Denise Day moved to approve the public minutes of 9/26/18 with the following revision, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Cisneros.**

**Revision: Page 5 add at the end "This should have been a non-meeting because it was a negotiations session"**

**Motion passed 5-1-1 with Michael Williams opposing and Al Howland abstaining. The Student Representative voted in the affirmative.**

**Kenny Rotner moved to approve nonpublic meeting minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denise Day. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Al Howland abstaining.**

**VI. DISTRICT REPORTS:**

**B. Superintendent's Report:**

Superintendent Morse presented the October 1 enrollment numbers. There are a total of 2162 resident and tuition students in the District. There are 365 students at Mast Way, 316 students at Moharimet, 669 students at the Middle School, and 812 students at the High School.

Hiring of Athletic Director Administrative Support: Superintendent Morse reported that Stacy Libby has been hired to fill the Administrative Support position to the Athletic Director. She holds a master's degree in Recreation Management.

**VIII. ACTIONS:**

**A. Superintendent Action:** None

**B. Board Action Items:**

**Motion to approve Catherine Plourde as Affirmative Action Officer: Al Howland moved to approve Catherine Plourde as Affirmative Action Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.**

**Motion to approve Moharimet Activity Stipend: Brian Cisneros moved to approve the following Moharimet Activity Stipend, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Al Howland. Motion passed 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.**

**Sarah Curtin      SciFri Coordinator      \$400**

**IX. SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

Kenny Rotner mentioned that the Manifest Committee met today at 6:30PM and approved the following manifests:

Payroll Manifest #7: \$1,144,384.88

Vendor Manifest #8: \$600,480.83

Denise Day reported that the Policy Committee met today, and they will have some first readings for the next Board meeting.

Superintendent Morse reported that the Public Meeting is next Tuesday at the high school regarding the Orchard Drive Property. He is looking forward to meeting with community members.

Al Howland asked about attending a student senate meeting. It is a great opportunity to hear their concerns and opinions. Patty Anderson agreed that this is a great idea and will get back to them with dates.

**X. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**XI. CLOSING ACTIONS:**

**A. Future Meeting Dates:**

**10/24/18 Regular Meeting at the ORHS Library**

**11/7/18 Regular Meeting at the ORHS Library**

**11/8/18 Board Budget Workshop – Lee Safety Complex 8:00 a.m.**

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3 II (if needed)**

**NON-MEETING SESSION: RSA 91-A:2 (if needed)**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Al Howland moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0 with the Student Representative voting in the affirmative.**

Respectfully yours,  
Laura Grasso Dobson  
Recording Secretary