

July 21, 2016, Meeting - Gibraltar-Skillman

Alex Nelson, Jim Thompson – Gibraltar
Dion Katsorous, Scott Cherry– Skillman
Dr. E. Ric Frataccia, Julie Lauck, Jim McCall, Lisa Frankus

Open Discussion

Jim Thompson reported that the property line of Parkview Elementary School extends into the wooded area on the North side of the school and includes a Valparaiso Park Dept. shelter. Dr. Frataccia will contact Mr. Siebert to discuss.

Music Room

A discussion was held regarding separate Music Rooms at the elementary schools. The decision to have a separate room or to share with Art is population oriented: Central, Northview, Thomas Jefferson and Parkview will share a room with Art. Cooks Corners, Memorial, Flint Lake and the New Elementary School will have separate Music Rooms. Cooks and Memorial's Music Room is attached to the gym box currently under construction. Access to the room is through the Market Area and is separate from the gym.

Alternate Bids

Scott Cherry distributed an alternate bid sheet for the Gym additions and renovations at Cooks and Memorial, the New Elementary School and VHS. Scott explained that these items were not included in the base bids for these projects in order to give us the option to include them or not, and we have 120 days from the Bid Date to make a decision.

Alternates Approved:

Renovations at Memorial: Striping at hard play areas; windows in the cafe/hallway interior; music room; fencing; unit ventilator ductwork.

Renovations at Cooks Corners: Striping at hard play areas; windows in the café/hallway interior; music room; fencing; unit ventilator ductwork.

New Elementary School: Solar panels; upgraded chain link fence on boundaries of neighbor's property line according to Tuscany Subdivision covenants

VHS: Solar panels.

A discussion was held regarding alternates / wish list items. The unit ventilator ductwork approved at Cooks and Memorial provides even distribution throughout the school. Some of the items on the alternate list will be included on future projects base bids. Some of the alternates on the list were rejected after discussion. "Alternates" should not be confused with items on a wish list that will be addressed after projects are completed if there are funds available. Dr. Frataccia wants to be sure that any enhancements are for the benefit of our students.