# HARNEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND CAMPAIGN MEETING AGENDA

11 FEBRUARY 2020

## I BOND AMOUNT / TARGET DATES

- A) \$8M General Obligation Bond
- B) \$4M OSCIM Grant has been awarded!
- C) Bond Election MAY 2020

## **II NARRATIVE PROCESS**

Starting in October of 2018, the school district began the long range and facilities assessment analysis process which provided information pertaining to the district's built environment as it pertains to education along with overall facility condition. During this process a community group was assembled to discuss the needs of the district and community.

Based upon these findings, it was determined that improvements to the district facilities were needed to maintain the educational standards of the District.

In March of 2019 a Bond Committee was assembled to determine how best to approach such improvements. Over the next 8 months the approach was finalized and is described herein.

# **III MAIN CONSIDERATIONS**

1. School capacities are below designed capacity. Slater is at 85%, Hines is 83%, and the High School is at 62% occupied.

2. Overall student enrollment has been in gradual decline, but appears to have leveled out. Future growth, if any, will be minimal over the next 20 years.

3. The current district facilities are aged. Deferred maintenance and repairs are needed district wide.

# IV OVER ARCHING GOALS

1. Provide safe and secure facilities.

2. Provide accessible facilities.

3. Temper decisions based upon student and educational impact, teacher efficiency, and community impact.

4. Consider social impacts of age grouping

5. Perform deferred maintenance and repairs to existing facilities strategically and as cost effective as possible.

6. Incorporate lifecycle facilities costs, energy usage, and maintenance into approach.

7. Consider transportation, busing, and after school activities coordination and timing.

# V APPROACH CRITERIA

1. Consolidate educational spaces focusing on making existing facilities more efficient by utilizing unused spaces.

2. Proactively mitigate underused and costly facilities.

3. Provide new spaces cost effectively.



### VI SCOPE OF BOND WORK

(Organized by Facility)

#### OLD LINCOLN DISTRICT OFFICES Estimated Budget

\$0

This facility has the highest Replacement cost index and would be the most expensive to fix.

Currently it is underutilized, is costly to operate and maintain, is not energy efficient, does not meet current ADA standards, has a large backlog of deferred maintenance (including a failing boiler), and does not meet current school safety protocols.

Suggested course of action;

- Sell or mothball facility
- Relocate district offices and IT to Slater Middle school.

#### **HINES MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Estimated budget

\$ 300K

This facility is underutilized having empty classroom and secondary spaces. It has difficult site access (parent and bus drop off), does not comply with all current ADA standards (classrooms and secondary areas are not accessible), has a large backlog of deferred maintenance at classroom spaces, and does not meet current school safety protocols.

Suggested course of action;

- Consolidate 6<sup>th</sup> grade to Slater and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades to High School campus by utilizing empty classroom spaces & construction of new classrooms.
- Maintain existing Gym & locker rooms for middle school and community sports use.
- Use old classroom spaces for district offices, IT consolidation & district storage
- Maintain kitchen and cafeteria spaces for extracurricular and community events.
- Deferred maintenance at office & IT spaces.

Realization of educational efficiencies and advantages for 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

 Allows 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to engage in age-appropriate activities without being exposed to the social and academic pressures of older students. As a result it allows them to stay 'younger' a bit longer.



## SLATER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: (K-6)

Estimated budget

\$ 2.5M

This facility will comply with current ADA standards with minimal modification, has room for improved site access (parent and bus drop off), has an upgraded efficient HVAC system that can be expanded, and can easily be modified to meet current school safety protocols.

Suggested course of action;

- Provide an additional (3) classrooms & needed school storage area.
- Remodel front entry into a secure entry vestibule to safely control visitors and students
- Install security access controls at exterior doors to control exterior access.
- Remodel end of life undersized kitchen spaces and expand cafeteria.
- Reconfigure the front of school and parking lot for separated bus and parent drop off locations to address safety concerns.
- Complete expansion of recently upgraded mechanical system to remainder of facility.
- Remodel the music room to provide storage and improved instructional spaces.
- Perform deferred maintenance throughout facility
- Remodel end of life non-compliant student toilets.

### **BURNS HIGH SCHOOL: (7-12)**

Estimated budget

\$ 7.6M

This facility is in the best condition of all the facilities and has the lowest replacement cost index and is considered to be the center of town activity.

The current capacity of this facility is at 62% and enrollment has been gradually declining. Currently there are (6) classrooms not being use for instructional space.

There are ADA standards can be met with minimal modifications. The facility has good site access with room to grow and can be easily modified to meet current school safety protocols.

### Suggested course of action;

- Provide a new 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom wing with (8) teaching classrooms.
- Re-populate (6) existing empty classrooms.
- Remodel front entry into a secure entry vestibule to safely control visitors and students.
- Reconfigure front office as required for secure visitor check in and improved staff functionality and efficiency.
- Remodel and expand the undersized and end of life kitchen space.
- Remodel underutilized library space and repurpose into a library and student digital resource suite.



- Remodel and update existing concessions functionality.
- Remodel and efficiently reconfigure existing locker rooms to provide space for common toilets.
- Perform deferred maintenance throughout facility
- Boiler and HVAC upgrade
- Acoustically improve Music room and Cafetorium
- New construction technology & Maintenance shop outbuilding to provide practical construction space that aligns with improved curriculum.
- New exterior restrooms, concessions, and track storage outbuilding to provide facilities during softball & baseball.
- New Middle School / Auxiliary Gym;
  - 150 seating capacity
  - Public Restrooms
  - PE & sports locker room
  - Wrestling room
  - Weights
  - Storage
- Demolish old boiler shed
- Demolish maintenance shops

### VII SCHEUDLE OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY:	School Board Presentation
JANUARY:	Facilities Committee Meeting
DECEMBER:	Facilities Committee Meeting
NOVEMBER:	Facilities Committee Meeting
SEPTEMBER:	TAP Reports / OSCIM grant
AUGUST:	Bond Committee meeting
JULY:	Bond Committee meeting
JUNE:	Bond Committee meeting
MARCH:	Bond Committee Meeting

100 Day Bond Election Campaign officially starts. Official Notification to Public – Email / Mailer List projects, OSCIM Grant, Amount, etc. This list will be general in nature.

#### MARCH: Bond election Campaign

Provide graphics completed, posters, etc. of proposed new construction. Post graphics at schools and website. Send out notification emails to parents

#### APRIL: Bond Election Campaign

Building Tour of existing facilities Public Meeting / Awareness

MAY: 15<sup>th</sup> Bond Election

#### **ESTIMATED BUDGET SUMMARY;**

Old Lincoln Offices	\$ 0.0M
Hines	\$ 0.3M
Slater	\$ 2.5M
High School	\$ 7.6M
Soft Costs & Inflation	\$ 1.6M
TOTAL	\$ 12M

