

HUSTISFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2022

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President John Bohonek at 6:30 pm.

II. Roll call of members

Board members signed the attendance roster at the start of the meeting. Members present: John Bohonek, Tracy Malterer, Steve Weinheimer, Lisa Bosse, Kevin Muche, and Dave Stryck. Brian Thimm entered just after the meeting was called to order.

III. Verification of public notice: Heather Cramer, superintendent of schools, verified that the meeting was noticed to the public appropriately as required by S. 19.84 (1), (2), (3), & (4) Wis. Stats.

IV. Public Forum

There were no comments during public forum.

V. Approval of Regular Agenda

A motion was made by Lisa Bosse and seconded by Kevin Muche to approve the Regular Agenda.
Passed 7-0 Roll Call Vote

VI. Board Development

A. Board Discussion/Workshop on potential referendum and RFQ process for a general contractor.

Mr. Bohonek opened the board development with a discussion of the tours that the board went on and each board member's thoughts about the tours. Mr. Bohonek discussed that he was on all tours but Horicon. He felt that he saw a common theme of science and ag labs were together along with tech ed. He liked that school showcased the lab areas. He commented on how Beaver Dam was hard to even know it was an old building due to the high quality of work done throughout the HS. He also commented that all schools visited were happy with their current contractor. Ms. Bosse visited Dodgeland with the team. She liked the updates and collaboration spaces as well as the openness of the building. Ms. Malterer visited Mayville and Waterloo. She liked the break-out spaces in Mayville and commented that the renovations were very nicely done. She commented on the safety features throughout the building at Mayville. She also felt that the additional animal space was well done in the Mayville Ag program. She was impressed with the contractor at Waterloo and the collaboration that they had with the community and board. Mr. Muche visited all of the schools and really enjoyed the tours. He felt that he got a good feel for how the process worked in Beaver Dam due to the superintendent's presentation ahead of the tour. He commented that he liked the break-out spaces in the Horicon Elementary building. He was impressed with the community engagement at Waterloo and their community room and fitness center. He also stated that from experience the job needs to have a great contractor and foreman on the job as it will make or break a project. Mr. Weinheimer visited Mayville with the board. He enjoyed that they really showcased their tech ed labs and how they were all connected. He liked the concept of expandable rooms as well. He felt that it provided HS kids with a more college like atmosphere. He felt that the public areas of the school were the true showcase and other areas were nicely done, but not as showcased. He commented as well that the community needs access to the building and spaces that the community can use would be highly beneficial. Mr. Thimm did not attend any tours. Mr. Stryck attended all of the tours. Rating the tours on appearance, he rated Beaver Dam 1, Horicon 2, Mayville 3, Waterloo 4, and Dodgeland 5. He commented that he could not tell that Beaver Dam was an old school due to the high quality of remodeling done. He said the updates were amazing. They did a great job using old space to create new spaces. He enjoyed the tech ed spaces and music spaces. In Horicon he felt that the elementary school was very nicely done. He also stated that office updates and a gym update was done, but very little otherwise in other areas of the building. He felt that Mayville did a very nice remodel. He liked the addition at Waterloo, but was a bit disappointed to see very little remodeling done to the remainder of the building. He commented that it was a challenge to comment on Dodgeland as they were still in the construction process. He also commented that Beaver Dam did not use the break-out spaces as much as others. He also indicated that the fancy furniture that some schools are putting in is getting damaged. Once the board went through the discussion on tours, they discussed what Hustisford needs. Ms. Malterer stated that the focus needs to be on learning spaces. The board talked about the high costs of furnishing new spaces. They commented on updates in Kitchens and how the new flow in many of the buildings was helping. Mr. Bohonek again emphasized his desire for a November referendum. Ms. Malterer commented on how the district is continuing to be fiscally responsible and we are in dire need of facility updates. Mr. Stryck asked about which building will be the focus or will both? He discussed the last community survey and that the public indicated support for about 7 million in projects. What will that amount give us and both buildings really need help. The board discussed whether to do a 20 year note or less. Ms. Bosse also identified needs in both buildings that have to be addressed. She wants the board to think in the terms of needs not wants. Mr. Stryck discussed how the district can think ahead with refinancing the debt to help fund other projects potentially as well. Mr. Muche discussed the needs at the HS and that some may think that they are wants, but our science labs are in need of updates. He also said that Tech Ed is a need not

a want. Ms. Bosse reiterated that the gym proposal at JHE failed the last referendum because it was a want not a need. Mr. Strysick commented that several of the superintendents shared that kid's attitudes changed when they updated their buildings. Kids were proud of the spaces and wanted to show it off. The updates increased school pride. Ms. Bosse agreed and stated that brightening things up would really be beneficial. The board decided that they would send out RFQ's to those from the state convention minus those who are located out of state. The board also extended the mailing to a few more local companies who may not have been present but were part of the tour process. A tentative board meeting has been set for May 9 to review the RFQ's submitted. Interviews for those selected are tentatively set for May 23. Mrs. Cramer will create a list of questions for the board to review at committee meetings in May.

VII. New Business

1. Resolution #2042: Approval of Summer School Course Description Book and Registration Information
A motion was made by Lisa Bosse and seconded by Steve Weinheimer to approve the following resolution:

**Approval of Summer School Course Selection Book and Registration Information
School Board Resolution
#2042**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Hustisford School District does hereby approve the summer school course selection book and registration information as presented.

Approved 7-0 Roll Call Vote

VIII. Closed Session

The board will enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1) (b) (c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

**Staffing 2022-2023
Compensation 2022-2023**

A motion was made by Tracy Malterer and seconded by Brian Thimm to enter into closed session at 7:36 pm.

Approved 7-0 Roll Call Vote.

IX. Return to Open Session

A motion was made by Lisa Bosse and seconded by Kevin Muche to return to open session at 8:54 pm.

Approved by Voice Vote

X. Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Steve Weinheimer and seconded by Brian Thimm to adjourn at 8:55 pm.

Heather J. Cramer, Superintendent of Schools – Recorder

Tracy Malterer - School Board Clerk