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Patron Focus Group Board Sub-Committee Work Session
January 23, 2019
7:00 PM
Hillcrest HS Library, 2800 Owen St, Ammon, ID

I. Welcome

Dr. Scott Woolstenhulme called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Three documents were handed out: Q & A from last week, comparison of the Design-Bid-Build (DBB) building method and the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) building method and bond cost projections from financial advisor, Piper Jaffray. The current focus is the STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) curriculum; science classrooms are needed to move into science related fields and careers. There are high demands for STEM related jobs in Idaho. See [INL - Parents Guide To STEM](#) for more information. The CM/GC building method allows for better collaboration between the owner, architect and contractor; also provides a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). According to projections based on 4% yearly market growth value, the District can bond for approx. \$40M without raising the tax levy rate; \$80.6M is the District's available maximum debt capacity.

II. Tour of Hillcrest HS Facilities

Hillcrest HS tour was led by Principal Scott Miller with single access discussion with Deputy Kevin Martin, SRO.

III. Questions & Answers

Layout of Science wings: each addition will have four wet labs and four dry labs. Labs and lectures will both be held in the same classroom. Teacher class time scheduling will determine which class days will be lab or lecture. Renovations will include eight total classrooms, four on the main level and four on the upper level.

Educating the Public on the bond: suggested community tours or video tours of the current high school science wings; community surveys and public input meetings.

Replacement of stairwells at BHS: stairwells were replaced in stages, thus difference in costs, which included demolition and reconstruction of each stairwell. Replacement was deemed necessary for building and student safety.

Size of elementary school: from an earlier survey, the community and parents voiced that an elementary school should not exceed 650-700 students which allows for a more family oriented environment and easier parent drop-off needs.

Ammon Elementary: adding Ammon elementary to this bond would raise the tax levy rate.

Future bond terms: it is possible to raise the bond term from 17.25 to 25 years.

IV. Round Table Discussions

Four proposals were presented to each group to list questions or concerns relating to each proposal: Build a new elementary school, build additions on to Hillcrest and Bonneville high schools, to renovate Falls Valley Elementary to accommodate Special Education programs and 2019 bond financing. Proposals were rotated to all the discussion groups.

V. Group Review of Table Discussions

VI. Consensus Taking

Consensus was taken via text messaging for these same items. Results are attached.

VII. Adjournment

Dr. Woolstenhulme adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Patron Focus Group Facilitator

ATTESTED: _____
Clerk

Date: _____