



A Community of Learners

Information Item: Facilities Projects Update

TO: School Board
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Overview & Background

During the summer of 2017, a significant life safety facility improvement project will take place at Crow Island School. The roofing and infrastructure bids for this work were approved by the Board at the January 2017 Board meeting. Administration thought it would be helpful to provide the Board with the status of additional upcoming bid results that will be presented to the Board for approval over the next few months and of other projects planned for this year and next.

In accordance with state regulations, the District is required to put bussing services out for bid for the next three years beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. It is anticipated the bid results for this process will be presented to the Board at the March Board meeting.

The bid for the infrastructure work on the Carleton Washburne School cafeteria is also planned for presentation to the Board at the March 2017 meeting. The bid for the furniture component is planned for presentation to the Board for approval at the April 25, 2017 meeting. The budget for the entire project is \$150,000. It is contemplated that the school's PTO will be providing a generous donation of approximately \$45,000 to be used towards the cost of the furniture. A request for acceptance and approval of the final amount of the donation will be presented to the Board at the March or April meeting. The project is planned for completion in June 2017.

The design of the replacement of the Greeley School kindergarten playground has been delayed due to the consideration of community feedback. In addition, it has been decided that due to age, the remaining vintage equipment should also be replaced. A design of the playground is attached. The estimated fully installed cost of the playground is approximately \$70,000. This exceeds the original budget of \$20,000 due in

part because the original scope and space was expanded based on the subsequent desire and need to remove and replace additional vintage equipment. Completion of the project is planned for June 2017.

At Hubbard Woods School, aged vintage playground equipment was also removed in 2015. Replacement of the equipment was deferred until the new principal arrived and had a chance to evaluate the situation. This process has been completed and the resulting plan is attached. The plan includes relocating a trimmed down existing playground unit. The replacement pieces are more focused on items newly designed for primary-aged students. The estimated cost of approximately \$100,000 will be part of the fiscal 2018 budget with installation planned for the summer of 2017.

Each of the playground designs require approval of the Village. Administration has recently filed the applications for the fully equipped designs with the Village. Based on the schedules of the various Committees that are part of the review process and the timing of the ultimate review and approval by the Village Council, without any need to have any follow up meetings, Administration anticipates receiving Village approval in May 2017.

Bids for each of the playground projects are being prepared with a goal of presenting them to the Board for approval at either the March 21, 2017 or April 25, 2017 meeting. Bid awards will be contingent upon receipt of approvals from the Village.

Looking forward, Administration is planning on evaluating the playgrounds at Crow Island School for potential upgrade in connection with the fiscal 2019 budget. In the interim the vintage equipment will be routinely monitored for any replacement needs.

The District has also been experiencing breakdowns in certain various chair lift equipment. Due to the age of the equipment, repair parts have been difficult to find. A preliminary estimate of the cost to replace the equipment at each of the schools is approximately \$180,000, although additional upgrades may be needed. Administration is working on establishing a plan to replace the equipment on a multi-year basis. Based on current needs, this implementation plan may begin this fiscal year. In order to provide for needs when equipment is being repaired, a stair walker which can be transported and used between buildings is being purchased for approximately \$7,000.

The District's copier leases are also up for renewal. The results of a RFP, Request For Proposal, process is planned for presentation to the Board for its approval at the March or April Board meeting. The effective dates of the new five year leases and equipment installation is planned for July 2017.

Administration, will provide any future updates of any significant variances from the planned execution of the above projects.

Attachments

[Greeley School playground site plan](#)

[Hubbard Woods playground site plan](#)