

1. A duly advertised special session of the Board of Education was called to order by President Fred Naegele at 7:30 p.m. in the North Harrison High School Auditoria.
2. Secretary Ron Coleman polled the Board and found that all members were present.
3. Superintendent Monty Schneider said the purpose of the meeting was to discuss possible building renovations/construction at North Harrison Elementary School and related property tax implications. Mr. Schneider introduced the Board, Mr. Ken Oppel and representatives from RQAW and Performance Services. He then talked about problems with the building and options that the Board had explored. Mr. Schneider gave a general description of the seven property tax supported funds of the school corporation as well as the effect any construction would have on those funds.
4. Mr. Robert Jones said that he was against remodeling the building. He said that he thinks the building should be imploded and a new one constructed.
5. Mr. Jeff Davis asked questions about tax rates and whether the board and architect had compared the cost of remodeling with a new building.
6. Mr. Greg Rupp said that he appreciates what the Board is trying to do. He said that Morgan Elementary is overcrowded also and that the Board should consider adding classrooms there also.
7. Mr. Ty Adams said it was a good time for a bond issue while the rates were still low.
8. Mrs. Tammy Sager asked how much it would cost to put the dirt back on the building. She also thanked Mr. Bosler for spending time at North Harrison Elementary.
9. Mr. Marty Miller questioned the energy savings with gas. He felt that electric rates are more stable.
10. Mr. Chris Rainey of Performance Services said that they were willing to look at alternate designs.
11. Mrs. Leah Fink King questioned whether switching to gas will cause carbon monoxide concerns in later years.
12. Mr. Rainey said that new boilers are very efficient and safe.
13. Mr. Jerry Firestone of RQAW said a new building would cost about \$11,000,000 as a rough estimate for hard costs only.
14. Mr. Gary Byrne asked how long the work will take and where will the students go during construction.
15. Mr. Firestone said that it would take 13-14 months and stretch over two summers. He said that in many of the projects he has worked on, students had stayed in the building during remodeling/construction.
16. Mr. Don Hanen asked about duct work and how much square footage in classrooms would be lost to cabinets.
17. Mr. Firestone said he would double check the square footage.
18. Mrs. Donna Haskell said she felt both elementaries needed two computer labs.
19. Mr. Brain Churchill said he is opposed to remodeling. He would like to see one major building project that would make improvements at both North Harrison and Morgan elementaries.

20. Mrs. Bobbi Boman felt that the need for additional special education rooms should be looked at.
21. Mr. Matt Hopper asked what was the square footage per student and what would it be.
22. Mr. Firestone said that they will consult Department of Education standards.
23. Mrs. Veronica Ayres encouraged the Board to also think about Morgan Elementary when making building improvements.
24. Mrs. Laurie Grubb said Morgan was overcrowded and additional special education rooms were needed.
25. Mrs. Leah Taylor asked what enrollment the plans were based on.
26. Mr. Schneider said they were based on current enrollment because enrollment had actually been falling for a number of years.
27. Ms. Farah Keene said maybe it would be best to look at building at both elementaries.
28. Ms. Virginia _____ suggested combining both elementaries.
29. Mr. Schneider replied that combining the two elementaries would make a school that would have many more students than recommended for an elementary school.
30. Mrs. Kathy Mott Goldman restated that a new HVAC system and dividing the pods into individual classrooms were of primary concern.
31. Mr. Fred Naegele said that the Board needed to look at a long term plan for HVAC improvements in all schools.
32. Ms. Rose Sharon had concerns about the dual temp system.
33. Mr. Rainey said the dual temp system they had used was much different than the old two pipe system.
34. Mr. Schneider thanked everyone for coming. He reminded the public about the upcoming budget hearing and adoption meeting dates.
35. Mrs. Kathy Mott Goldman thanked everyone for coming and encouraged them to attend the budget meetings.
36. Mr. Robert Chinn thanked everyone for coming and encouraged people to let him know how they feel about the project.
37. Mr. Buddy Bosler thanked everyone for coming. He asked the public to let him know how they feel. He said that he did not feel \$11 million would build a new building if the amount included both hard and soft costs.
38. Mr. Fred Naegele thanked everyone for coming. It is hard to determine what our needs really are. An example of this is our unexpected high kindergarten enrollment.
39. The meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

President

Secretary