

Smithville R-II Board of Education

Workshop Minutes

Sunday, August 21, 2022 (6:00 PM)

Meeting Held in the District Office Board Room

1.0 Call to Order by Chairperson:

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Board President, Jeff Bloemker.

2.0 Board of Education Present:

1. Jeff Bloemker
2. Scott Haggerty
3. Ian Saxton
4. Susan Whitacre
5. Whitney Carlile
6. Scott Jacoby
7. Denney Fales

3.0 Administrators Present

1. Denise Harwood, Interim Superintendent
2. Robert Hedgecorth, Exec. Dir. of Support Services

4.0 Workshop

4.1 Workshop Topics

1. April 2023 GO Bond Issue Projects

- a) Transportation/Maintenance Facility
- b) Campus Sidewalk System (Commercial Ave to Schools)
- c) Complete Horizon HVAC Project
- d) Middle School HVAC/Mechanical/Ceilings
- e) Security Enhancements (All Buildings)
- f) Convert Middle School Field to Turf for PE Classes and District-Wide Activities
- g) High School Gym Seating Expansion/Multipurpose Space
- h) Partial Reimbursement for Land Purchase

Robert Hedgecorth presented a list of proposed items based on feedback from the 2019 and 2022 community forums as well as input from the cabinet. Discussion arose around the need for an early childhood center: whether the current configuration works, should it be its own building, or should it be moved into the current CO and CO moved. The board discussed how much land should be purchased for future use: 20 or 30 acres. They also discussed what kind of building would be needed in 2030: another elementary or 5/6th center. Early childhood could be included. It was decided that land could be obtained and the decision on what kind of building can wait.

Recommendation: Approve the 2023 Core Projects (a-c) as presented with the addition of the MS HVAC and to pay back \$400,000 for the land purchase for the transportation facility.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Ian Saxton**) Moved, Member (**Jeff Bloemker**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the 2023 Core Projects as presented with the addition of the MS HVAC and to pay back \$400,000 for the land purchase for the transportation facility.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Jeff Bloemker Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Scott Haggerty Yes
Ian Saxton Yes

Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes

2. Hospital TIF

Denise reviewed past meetings with Eric Craig and his team. Robert and Ian shared information from meetings in years past. Scott Jacoby gave his insights on the numbers presented to us by Eric Craig.

Recommendation: Hire Matt Webster and Duane Martin (a financial consultant and our attorney) to provide a 3rd party overview of what has been presented to the school district and to offer guidance moving forward.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Scott Haggerty**) Moved, Member (**Ian Saxton**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Hire Matt Webster and Duane Martin (a financial consultant and our attorney) to provide a 3rd party overview of what has been presented to the school district and to offer guidance moving forward.'

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Jeff Bloemker Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Scott Haggerty Yes
Ian Saxton Yes
Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes

3. Board Priorities 2022-2023

Dr. Kratofil will draft smart goals around these topics for the board.

Recommendation: Approve MSIP6, Strategic Plan, Teacher Retention, Community Partnerships, Superintendent Search as the 2022-2023 Board Priorities.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Jeff Bloemker**) Moved, Member (**Ian Saxton**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve MSIP6, Strategic Plan, Teacher Retention, Community Partnerships, Superintendent Search as the 2022-2023 Board Priorities.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Jeff Bloemker Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Scott Haggerty Yes
Ian Saxton Yes
Susan Whitacre Yes
Whitney Carlile Yes
Scott Jacoby Yes

4. Governance Team Communication Matrix

This topic was tabled for the next workshop; board confidentiality was discussed.

5.0 Adjournment

5.1 Adjourn meeting

Recommendation: Adjourn meeting

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Ian Saxton)** Moved, Member **(Scott Jacoby)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Adjourn meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: 0. The motion **Carried.**
7 – 0

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Board Secretary

Date

Board President

Date