

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 Board of Education
Building and Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 6, 2023, Noon

The meeting was called to order at noon. Present were Blake Furness, Brian Patton, Matt Lentz, David Powell, Fred Butler, and Tim Downen.

Mr. Downen and Mr. Butler gave updates on the high school building project. The center of campus will be closed to all vehicle and pedestrian traffic beginning December 18. Ground work on the new gym area and demolition of the gym lobby will begin any day. The Committee reached consensus that change orders in excess of \$25,000 should come to the Committee and/or Board for approval, while giving the Superintendent the authority to approve lesser amounts in the interest of time.

Mr. Butler gave updates on both Building Trades houses. The committee recommends selling the finished house by engaging a realtor. Both realtors with a significant presence in the District will be invited to submit marketing proposals for consideration.

The committee reviewed a quote for a new PA system at Sawyer field. Mr. Butler will move forward with that project.

Some discussion was had about the property on Seymour Avenue that is for sale by the County. Consensus was reached not to recommend to the Board the consideration of acquiring that property.

An estimated payment schedule for the high school construction project was reviewed. Discussion was held about using this schedule to develop an investment plan for project funds, as well as other District funds. Mr. Powell will be meeting with local bankers to develop the plan.

The Committee discussed the recent increase in the District's estimated EAV and the impact of that on the building project bond repayment schedule and the levy.