Olean City School District  
Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting  
Via ZOOM  
Tuesday, March 09, 2021  
4:30 P.M.

Present:           Rick Moore  
                   Jim Padlo  
                   Andrew Caya  
                   Paul Hessney  
                   Ira Katzenstein  
                   Mark Huselstein  
                   Jenny Bilotta  
                   Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry

Observer:        Mary Hirsch-Schena

Capital Project update review
• Mr. Moore noted that he is getting employees involved  
  Music Dept. at the high school - expand space  
  Theater – Nick Patrone -aud renovations  
  OIMS – principals – new playground, basketball hoops  
  WW – principal and staff - new entrance, etc  
  EV – principals and teachers – addition of classrooms – match existing brick  
• Still in the planning phase  
• Scheduling a trip to Addison School District to view its renovated auditorium – board members invited  
• Ira asked whether the new classroom countertops at EV have been fixed or replaced (coming apart); recommended plans be reviewed and signed off on  
• OIMS Playground – existing equipment is almost 30 years old and cannot be recycled, reused, or relocated; artificial turf in play area will reduce mud; need good lighting  
• WW digital sign – Jenny noted the contract (SourceWell) will be placed on the March 23rd BOE agenda; Ira would like a picture of the sign emailed to board

Preparation for return of students/ State updates and current policy regarding COVID and student interaction
• Mr. Moore reported he is waiting for the CDC to change the 6’ social distance rule  
• Transportation restrictions (1 student per seat unless from same family) is a barrier  
• Working on bringing more students back after spring recess  
• Will need to revise the district’s Reopening Plan  
• High School is bringing Red and Gold Co-horts back on alternate Wednesdays; also bringing back students with disabilities  
• Mark noted filters to ventilator system have been upgraded; good airflow; there are not UV attachments on the ventilators (Jim asked Mark to look into this)  
• Andrew noted that many parents may not send their children back to school for in-person learning; will remote learning be an option for the 2021-2022 school year – is there a plan for this option; will there be criteria for requests for remote learning and remote teaching?

Other
• Juneteenth (June 19th) is now a NYS holiday – what day will it be observed? Friday, June 18th or Monday, June 21st?  
• April 1st – staffing shortage due to COVID vaccine appointments; Paul asked whether or not the district will take a strong stand and recommend and encourage ALL staff get vaccinated

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

Next meeting: April 13, 2021 at 4:30 pm