

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
OF
CLAY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

A Special Session of the Clay Community Schools Board of Trustees was held at the Central Administrative Office, 1013 S. Forest Avenue, Brazil, IN 47834, on Thursday, March 21, 2019. Kevin Kumpf, Michael Shaw, Lynn Romas, Andrea Baysinger, Tom Reberger, Amy Burke Adams, and Charley Jackson were present.

I. Call to Order

The special session meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board President Tom Reberger.

II. Recommendation to Accept Bid for Synthetic Surface at Northview High School

Prior to a motion, Director of Business Affairs Mark Shayotovich explained the rationale behind the bid recommendation. Mr. Shayotovich stated that Fred Prazeau of Context Design had indicated the number of bids that were submitted had represented the most interest he had received in a synthetic surface project. Normally, there would be 4 or 5 bidders, and Mr. Prazeau believed the fact that nine bids had come in was great. The results had shown that it had been a very competitive process; the bids were going to put the project right in the middle of the price range that had been talked about all along, somewhere in the \$750,000.00-\$950,000.00 range. After analyzing the bids and the alternates and having internal discussions about what was important to put into the surface, the recommendation was to accept Sprinturf's bid. Their base bid was the lowest of all the bidders, at \$757,726.00. It had been determined that it was important to select Alternate #1, which was the extended warranty on the product for \$10,700.00, as well as Alternate #2, which was the shock pad for \$81,000.00. An upgrade from the base bid was to a dual fiber with thatch product that would be a little hardier and would actually play better with soccer; this upgrade was added at no additional cost to the base bid. The total bid of \$849,426.00, with the alternates, was the lowest bid. Mr. Shayotovich noted that Sprinturf had a reputation across the country as being a premiere synthetic surface provider. He added that they had fields from coast to coast, with the closest being at Cascade High School. He then made the recommendation to accept the bid from Sprinturf with the three alternates that he had mentioned at a cost of \$849,426.00.

Dr. Shaw moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Kumpf seconded.

Prior to a vote, Dr. Shaw commented that he wanted to stress the importance of having Fred Prazeau in place as a consultant. Dr. Shaw felt confident that Mr. Prazeau knew what he was talking about and had answered questions very well. When making a decision as important as this, he believed it was great to have a good team in place. Dr. Shaw thanked the administration for their hard work in properly researching the feasibility of this important decision. In particular, he thanked Mr. Shayotovich for helping the Board to understand that they could afford to pay for it, which was a huge

part of this. He believed it to be a truly great investment in our kids, our corporation, and the future of our community.

The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Following the vote, Mr. Reberger asked to have the bid tabulation sheet and the letter of recommendation become a part of the official minutes.

III. Memorandum of Understanding between Hamilton Center and Clay Community Schools for Secondary Student Services

Mrs. Baysinger moved to approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between Hamilton Center, Inc., and Clay Community Schools in regard to providing services to students at the secondary level. Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

IV. Adjournment

Having exhausted all agenda items, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

The meeting was audio recorded and copies may be requested by contacting the Central Administrative Office.