

Mendota Township High School
Building Committee Minutes
November 9, 2010
9:00 a.m.

The Building Committee meeting was held in the high school media center on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 9:00 AM. Mr. Prusator called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. The following people were present: Jim Lauer, Tom Bauer, John McKenzie, Todd Phalen, Bill Corrigan, Jeff Prusator, and Steve Wright (DLA).

Mr. Prusator gave Steve Wright, Architect from DLA, the floor. Mr. Wright provided an overview of the previous meeting and gave the committee updates on the stadium plan updates. Mr. Wright pointed out that the Visitor seating has been reduced from 714 to 515 seating capacity. Portable bleachers could increase the seating by 520 (260 per set). Discussion followed on cost and placement (1 set on each side of permanent visitor bleachers. Mr. Wright will check on the cost to have pads placed on either side of visitor bleachers to place portable bleachers.

Mr. Wright gave the board a brief update on lighting. Information is still pending on placement of lighting for parking and events held outside the stadium.

Mr. Wright brought out the updated architectural drawings for the committee to view. The following items were discussed:

- 1) Parking for Handicap – There will be an additional 8 Handicap spots in the Stadium Parking Area.
- 2) The possibility of adding a Home Team Building was discussed. Coach McKenzie said this was not something that was needed. Discussion followed.
- 3) Track lanes were discussed. Each lane is 3'6" (8 lane track). There will be a 4' fence around the perimeter of the track per IHSA regulations. An 8' fence will be installed around the perimeter of the stadium.
- 4) Scoreboard details and placement were shown in the drawings. This was to determine electrical and installation requirements.
- 5) Field Events – Placement and Dimensions were discussed. Further discussion with regard to Field Equipment brand and style will be discussed when specifications are in place.
- 6) Gate openings were shown on drawings. Committee recommended that there be 2 double gates on the visitor side.
- 7) Home Seating Capacity-1874 Seats. Ramps to allow for ADA compliance will be at both ends of the Home bleachers. There will be 1 ramp on the visitor side. Exits for the bleachers are 4-Home Side, 2-Visitor Side.
- 8) Restrooms, Concessions were discussed. Mr. Wright and Mr. Prusator spoke with Mrs. Pollard (Concessions) about her recommendations and needs for concessions. Serving Windows (6) instead of 1 main opening as there is now. The concession building will also have a 10'x16' area for the Boosters. The Booster area will have 2 serving windows, utility sink, and hand washing sink. Functional siding (not brick or block) is recommended to help control cost. All areas will be ADA compliant. Mr. Prusator asked Mr. Wright to extend the overhang of the concession stand to accommodate for inclement weather. Restroom facility will have storage for maintaining restrooms and drinking fountains on the outside of the restrooms. Mr. Wright asked the committee if they felt the need to have windows

installed in the restroom. Discussion followed. The committee felt that windows were not necessary and asked that they not be included.

- 9) Storage/Team Rooms were shown in the drawings. Home Team Room is 30'x28' (approx 900 sq ft). This room will contain 1 toilet/2 urinals/2 sinks. There will also be storage and a coach's area. Mr. Bauer asked if it could be possible to remove notch walls and create a rectangle to allow for more space. Mr. Wright marked the suggested changes on the drawings and also told the committee that he would look at different roof lines to accommodate the wall changes. Mr. Wright also showed in the drawings the area that was designated as the Officials Room. This room has sink/toilet/shower. This would allow the officials to be away from the fans before/after and during half time of the game. At the opposite end of the Officials room there is a small Maintenance office. In the storage area there includes an area to allow for the storage of the turf grooming materials.
- 10) Storage under Bleachers-Several things need to be decided depending upon the items that will be stored: Shelving, Overhead vs Swinging Doors, Canister Storage (Mr. Lauer will look into and communicate information to Mr. Wright.) Mr. Wright asked the committee to remember that the storage area under the bleachers will be viewed at all angles.
- 11) Mr. Wright showed cutaway sections of the bleachers for both home and visitor.
- 12) Press Box-Mr. Wright showed the drawings for the Press Box. It was recommended that the Radio Station (for Home Team) have a separate room. Mr. Wright also gave the dimensions of 6' either side of the press box for home and visitor coach use. It was also discussed that these rooms have radio connections. The drawings also show an 18" counter and baseboard heat in the Press Box. Mr. Wright reminded the committee that ADA requires that the Press Box have an elevator. He also told the board that the elevator equipment room will need to have heat to maintain hydraulics for elevator. Discussion Followed. Mr. Bauer asked if there was accessibility to the Press Box via stairs. Mr. Wright commented that there was bleacher access to the Press Box.
- 13) Civil Engineer Items in drawings:
 - a. Asphalt extended into entrance into stadium to allow for equipment to be moved.
 - b. Detention pond.
 - c. Berm build up around detention pond. Approx. 665' of structural fill.
 - d. Drain Specifications under field to accommodate drainage to detention pond. Mr. Lauer asked if the water was too much for direct drainage into Lake Kakusha. Mr. Wright replied that it was.
 - e. Lift Station to accommodate water from washrooms, concessions, etc.
 - f. Slot Drains to allow for drainage at the Track/Field Connection
 - g. Track Surface-Decision needs to be made with regard to composition of track surface. Mr. Wright showed the committee samples of track surface composites. Mr. McKenzie will talk with the Track Coaches for input.
 - h. Turf-Mr. Wright has talked with several turf companies. Will have more information in the coming weeks. Mr. McKenzie will talk with Mr. Sondgeroth concerning the logo for the middle of the field. Mr. Wright asked the committee to finalize the end zones. It was discussed considering purple end zones with gold lettering.

Mr. Wright asked for anymore questions or comments. Mr. McKenzie asked about sound system placement. His contacts have suggested that a pole be placed behind the center of the Press Box. Discussion followed. Mr. Wright will look into the sound system placement and report back the options at the next meeting.

Mr. Bauer asked for the time line to finalize all plans for the project. Mr. Wright told the committee that they would like to let bids on or about February 1, 2011. This would mean that final decisions should be made by the second week of December 2010 at the latest. Mr. Wright asked that Mrs. Pollard look over the drawings of the concession plans. Mr. Bauer asked that a possible alternate be given for gravel vs. asphalt parking area.

Mr. Wright asked that the committee set the next Building Committee Meeting. The Building Committee set the next meeting for December 13, 2010 at 9 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Phalen, Recording Secretary