

**KNOX COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
AGENDA
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2017
WORK SESSION
6:55 p.m.**

AGENDA	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
1. CALL TO ORDER			
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Mrs. Ritchie	Mr. Bennett	6-0
The chair entertained a motion to adopt the Work Session Agenda for the November 20, 2017, meeting as presented.			
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS			
The Board President entertained comments from patrons on items not on the prepared agenda. There were no public comments.			
4. WORK SESSION			
A. The Board will conduct a work session in order to interview architects for a facilities study.			
1. Schmidt & Associates distributed a facility assessment overview. Tom Neff & Steve Siroky represented the company.			
<p>Mr. Neff stated that the primary projects his company specializes in is educational facilities.</p> <p>Mr. Neff said that their company is based on servant leadership. He said the primary objective of Schmidt & Associates is: <i>Better Foresight, Better Insight, Better On-site.</i></p> <p>Mr. Neff said they work on becoming the fabric of the community as well as they work with staff to find out what works and what they would change in their respective buildings, classrooms and/or work areas.</p> <p>Mr. Neff showed several examples of other schools that his company has worked with and issues that those schools had.</p> <p>Mr. Neff discussed several items that can be involved in a project including utility cost.</p> <p>Mr. Yankauskas asked if they would have a time frame. Mr. Neff said that a two month assessment component would be a reasonable time frame.</p> <p>Mr. Siroky said they would concentrate on the high school first since that seems to be the most pressing at this time.</p> <p>Mr. Fletcher asked what the company is doing at the Laporte School Corporation.</p>			

Dr. Reichhart asked Mr. Neff about his history working with Corporations who have had to do referendums. Mr. Neff said they work with referendums consultants for that.

Mr. Neff references Hammond School Corporation, Lake Central, Lebanon, Mishawaka and Greenwood were discussed.

Schmidt & Associates uses a project blog where the public can post questions and see the progress of the project.

Mr. Siroky discussed security vestibules and other security issues at schools.

2. Fanning Howey representatives Ed Sawa, Bill Payne and Terry Liette discussed a master plan, terms of a road map for a building project for the Knox Schools. They discussed the type of assessments that their company will do for the Corporation.

Mr. Payne discussed the expertise of Fanning Howey and how they focus on K-12 public educational design.

Mr. Payne said they want to make sure they align with what the KCSC is doing and what their vision is for the Corporation.

References from South Montgomery Schools, Northview High School, Frankfort High School, North Judson-San Pierre and Griffith Public Schools were discussed and reviewed.

Mr. Liette discussed how to accomplish the vision and what's important at Knox Schools.

Mr. Yankauskas asked how they go about deciding the needs of the Corporation. Mr. Payne said they would work with a group of staff members from the Corporation including the Board. They also work closely with the maintenance and buildings and grounds departments.

Mr. Sawa discussed the assessment portion of the project and the team approach that Fanning Howey takes.

Mr. Payne said the four components will be: Visioning, Calibration, Assessment, Recommendations.

Mr. Payne stated that their fees would approximately total \$23,500.00 with a schedule of 7 months plus or minus would be a feasible timeline for their services.

Jerry Fletcher said he remembered this firm doing the new elementary.

Dr. Reichhart stated that there might be a referendum scheduled in 2019. He said the high school roof needs to be replaced sooner than later and a target for the 1028 hearing would be in January for this project.