## **BOARD WORK SESSION**

A board work session of the School Board of Independent School District No. 518, Worthington, Minnesota, was held at the West Building Conference Room, at 117 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Worthington, Minnesota on November 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

The following were present: BOARD MEMBERS – Adam Blume, Steve Schnieder, Lori Dudley, Joel Lorenz, Mike Harberts, Tom Prins, Brad Shafer

ADMINISTRATORS – John Landgaard, David Skog

Motion by Member Prins, seconded by Member Harberts and unanimously passed to approve the agenda for the November 7, 2022, Board Work Session.

Superintendent Landgaard reviewed the District Action Plan with the board and asked for direction on the West property after demolition of the West building. He noted that asbestos abatement would cost approximately \$300,000 and can be done in mid-April or May with demolition of the West building in mid-June. He indicated the district could go out for RFP's in January. The board talked about the different options on what to do with the property after demolition and what to do with the existing playground and two existing garages. The consensus was to put the property into green space and keep the existing playground until the board decides on what to do with the property.

Superintendent Landgaard reviewed a site map with different options and estimated costs for each on the possible development of future athletic fields on the Crailsheim property. The board discussed the different options and also the idea of turfing the existing Middle School football/soccer field. The consensus was that the board would like to see one baseball field and one soccer field developed at the Crailsheim site and for administration to investigate the maintenance and upgrade of the Middle School football/soccer field.

Superintendent Landgaard reviewed information with the board that was put together by Baird and Co. on holding an operating levy referendum. The board discussed whether to put one, two or three questions on the ballot. They also discussed the renewal of the existing referendum for the same dollar amount or more and funding the preschool gap to provide all day preschool programming. The consensus of the board was to do a one question ballot for voters and hold an election in the fall of 2023.

Work session adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Steve Schnieder, Clerk

Lisa Ahrenstorff, Deputy Clerk