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Barneveld School District Meets with Community to Talk Facilities Improvements

Barneveld, WI - The Barneveld School Board and District Administration hosted a community engagement session before the Board Meeting Wednesday evening, the second in what will be a series of similar sessions. At the engagement session the consultants hired by the district were present to answer questions about the upcoming facilities improvements. HSR Associates, the architect hired to design the facilities renovations and CG Schmidt, the construction manager, were on hand to facilitate the discussion and field questions.

Questions raised during the engagement session covered topics such as the conditions of the current site, what the District plans to do with the bus barn, what level of accessibility the community will have to the building, and how the school will address security concerns, among others.

“While sometimes spirited, these sessions are great to have and I believe an essential part of the process,” said _____. “Learning what’s important to the community and being able to have this level of dialogue is really what this whole process is all about.”

To date, the conversation surrounding the planned facilities improvements has focused more on the “big picture” needs of the district, the site logistics and, and plans for how the District will work with building user groups to determine how the space will be used most effectively. The District has stressed that the ultimate goal is to deliver the most cost-effective solutions possible that still meet community, student, and faculty needs.

For more information on the Barneveld School District facility improvements, please contact Brett Stousland, District Administrator at 608-924-4711 or via email at bstousland@barneveld.k12.wi.us.

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