

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
TECHNOLOGY/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Monday, August 1st, 2022
5:30 P.M. - 7:00PM
Administration Office
Board Room**

Committee Members			Meeting Dates	
	Robin Distler - Chairperson	X	Greg Derr – Liaison	September 5, 2022
X	Gary Fedorcha - Co-Chairperson		Jennifer Butz	October 3, 2022 November 7, 2022
X	Donna Kulp	X	Eric Hill	
X	Matthew Link		Tim Weaber	

Also in attendance: Mr. Kern, Mr. Green, Mrs. Husack, Mr. Schnyderite, Dr. Stoker, Mr. Hauser, Mr. Strohl, Mr. Geist, Mrs. Farber, Mr. Pyne, Mrs. Fink, Mr. Haas, 2 representatives from McClure (Mark Gallick and Shayne Holman), Ernie Graham (ELA Sports), Mrs. Barheight

AGENDA

Buildings & Grounds

- [McClure solar presentation, M&V report, and NLMS Kitchen Project Update](#)
 - Fence will be around solar site
 - Access road to solar site TBD but proposed from NLSD side, not municipality road
 - Question about whether or not additional insurance is required. Response was it depends on NLSD insurance carrier.
 - Solar project will service all facilities on main campus, not at Peters.
 - Estimated at 5 acres for size of solar site
 - Retention area may have to expand slightly
 - Tax credits - 26% this year, 22% next year, 10% the following year
 - Discussion about whether this project and the sports field can proceed forward without getting in the way of the other
 - Question about whether or not the solar project could be done on the roof rather than on the ground. Enough space may not be available on our roofs.
 - Maintenance (i.e. panel fails) would be at cost of McClure.
 - Discussion about whether or not Peters could be included. Legislation is being proposed that may make it feasible to include Peters. Further discussion about how that change would be included if Peters was eligible.

- Question about changes in technology of the panels and system over the next 30 years. If they were to be changed, it would be through mutual agreement of McClure and NLSD.
- Board members present supported bringing a letter of intent to move forward to the board meeting on August 8, 2022
- Discussion about permits for both projects (solar and sports fields) being open at same time
- [ELA Sport presentation on the baseball/softball project](#)
 - Discussion about budget and how the contract will be designed since the cost has already increased and the project won't be done for several months
 - Basic Education Funding has increased as follows over last year: \$589K reg ed, \$117K spec ed, and \$240K for safety and behavioral health
 - St. Luke's is committed to partnering with us to get this project done
 - Discussion about upgrading the other practice fields that are used for PE classes and community groups and providing opportunities for students - School district budget discussed in the context of upgrades
 - Board members present supported bringing a due diligence investigation to the board meeting on August 8, 2022 for this project
- District updates from this summer
 - MS Kitchen Project
 - Mulch SE playgrounds
 - Powerwashed and painted the dugouts
 - MS art room sink
 - Softball scoreboard has been installed and is up and running
 - Tech Dept is installing 7 projectors in the HS
 - Summer workers' tasks
 - On track or ahead of schedule with summer work
 - Hired a new MS custodian and another maintenance worker
 - Questions on stadium turf - The crew was just here and cleaned the field and fixed any small issues that came up
- Santa Clara Vanguard
 - They will arrive on campus late Wednesday night August 3rd. They will be on campus all day Thursday August 4, Friday August 5, and Saturday August 6th. They will leave @ 5pm on Saturday August 6th and go to J. Birney Crum to compete.
 - Traditionally it has been open to the public but because COVID cases are creeping up again they are not allowing in-person spectators. Our solution is to live stream it through PixaLot. We will push out the link. They are also

giving us \$3000 worth of tickets to J. Birney Crum for the competition for all of our student band members and two adults per student.

- Cement pad for SES tent
 - No bidders
 - Project is being rebid
 - Bid is posted in Times News
 - Mr. Kern provided a contact that will help with a list of concrete contractors
 - Size of pad is about 32x55

Technology

- Laptop/Chromebook Insurance
 - For equity reasons we have been told that we should do away with our insurance option.
 - Recommendation for first time free.
 - Subsequent damage would be a charge.
 - Have a healthy fund for damage/repairs
 - Repeat offenders - work with principals and families regarding consequences
- Summer Update
 - Reimage HS laptops - almost done
 - Working on Chromebooks - on schedule for start of year
 - Installed 7 projectors - leftover from last year - replacing the oldest ones at the HS and using the older projectors as replacements for SE
 - Additional projectors are still on backorder - expect them in and installed over Winter Break
 - PowerSchool Rollover happened on July 25th - can move on with 22-23 school year
 - Platform integration changes - Installed plugins (Canvas, McGraw Hill, STAR/AR, USA Test Prep)
 - Multi-Factor Authentication now being used for all staff

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 5, 2022