

of students. This is partially due to space constraints once playgrounds and parking are considered.

Board Secretary Mark Pfoff commented that he is disappointed that the board will apparently be offered only one recommendation from the committee. He would prefer to see all evidence and scenarios considered.

Board Vice President Matthew Clawson also said he would like to see at least two or three alternatives.

Brofft assured them that all options will be in the committee's final report.

Clawson suggested that the schedule for approval of the report should be pushed back in order to allow the two new board members to acclimatize themselves.

Brofft suggested a Jan. 9 work session to discuss the options.

Clawson asked whether a year-round school schedule would help alleviate some of the problems of capacity.

Abernethy responded that running the schools year round would further exacerbate the problems of deferred maintenance.

Brofft commented that there would also be a salary cost to running year round, resulting in a new round of contracts.

Financial audit report

John-Paul LeChevallier, director of independent auditing at CliftonLarsonAllen, reported that the district's records were clean and thanked the staff for the prompt provision of all requested materials.

The board voted to approve the audit and directed Assistant Superintendent Cheryl Wangeman to provide the final report to state authorities.

Safety and Security update

Chief of Safety and Security Dennis Coates reported on developments in the district safety and security protocols.

He said that all employees have been trained on the provisions of the Claire Davis Act, requiring that school districts take all reasonable care to prevent

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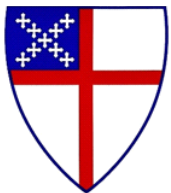
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