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FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Buckeye Joint Vocational Board of Education believes that any educational program is influenced greatly by the environment within which it functions. The development of a quality educational program and school facilities that help to implement it must go hand in hand.

It is this Board's goal to provide the facilities needed for the number of students in the District; to provide the kind of facilities that will best support and accommodate the educational program and to develop a long-range planning and evaluation program.

The Board recognizes that capital outlay funds are limited and that it must establish priorities in order to make the best use of the school building dollar. The Board's first objective will be to develop a plan that eliminates any overcrowding. Whenever possible, the cultural as well as educational needs of the community will be considered in planning facilities expansions.

Architects employed by the Board will be expected to plan for simplicity of design; sound economics (including low long-range maintenance costs) efficiency in energy needs; low insurance rates; high educational utility and flexibility.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 153.65 thru 153.71
3313.76; 3313.77
3318.01 et seq.
OAC 3301-35-03

FACILITIES PLANNING

The Board is responsible for the regular operation and orderly development of its physical plant. For this reason, the Board concerns itself with both short- and long-range planning as it relates to the properties of the District.

The Board follows a long-term building program to serve as a guide for capital improvements. This program is subject to systematic study, revision and extension. The respective construction projects are acted upon individually when proposed for implementation.

The Board building program is designed to provide adequate facilities to conduct educational programs for all students residing in the District. The building program is based upon specific Board policies which have been, and continue to be, modified to conform to changes in the curriculum, availability of construction funds, technological needs, changes in enrollments and the results of annual evaluation of facilities. The Board establishes priorities using these and other relevant factors.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3313.37
3315.10; 3315.18; 3315.181
Chapter 3318
OAC 3301-35-03(c); 3301-35-06

CROSS REF.: FA, Facilities Development Goals

TAX ISSUES

The Buckeye Joint Vocational Board of Education will examine financial needs in advance of any levy or bond elections. The Board may and should provide the public with information on school building needs and on levy and bond elections; however, it will not use District funds to promote approval of school-related tax issues.

To promote community support, a citizens' committee for a better school may be formed.

Tax reduction factors are considered in coordination with the sexennial property appraisal in affected District counties. In considering a potential tax issue, the Board examines all legal options to obtain additional revenue.

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LEGAL REFS.: Ohio Const. Art XII, Sections 2,5

ORC Chapter 133

3311.21

3313.37; 3313.375

3315.07

3501.01

Chapter 5705

5748.01 et seq.

CONTRACT REF.: Negotiated Agreement

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS BIDDING AND AWARDS

Upon the approval of working drawings and specifications by the Board and state agencies, the Board solicits bids to be submitted at the office of the Board on or before a specified time. Each bid is accompanied by either a bond for the full amount of the bid or a cashier's check or letter of credit equal to 10 percent of the total bid. The advertisement states that the Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to re-advertise the project, if necessary.

The architect or authorized individual takes the responsibility for preparing the advertisements, bid forms, bid bond forms, performance and payment bonds and forms of agreement between the Board and the successful bidder(s). Upon receipt of bids, they are opened publicly and entered into the minutes of the Board. The architect or other authorized individual assists the Board and District personnel in analyzing the bids. The Board attorney or other authorized individual's advice on awarding the contract is of particular value with respect to legal aspects of the contract provisions regulating alterations, extras, nonperformance, damages and security bonds.

School districts are exempt from paying prevailing wage rates on construction work.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 9.3-9.333

Chapter 153

Chapter 1305

3313.37; 3313.46

3318.01 et seq.

Chapter 4703

OAC generally 4101 (Ohio Building Code)

CROSS REFS.: DJC, Bidding Requirements

DJF, Purchasing Procedures