

To: Board of Education

From: Kyle Hayden, chief operations officer  
Tony Barron, executive director, facilities and operations  
Kathy Johnson, executive director, finance

Re: Contract with Hellas Construction for Outdoor Athletic Complex Improvements –  
Lawrence High and Free State High

Date: February 8, 2018

Background:

Capital improvement projects are essential in ensuring that a school district is prepared to provide excellent educational and extracurricular opportunities to all students. Included as part of the approved 2017-18 Capital Improvement Plan is a lease payment for the estimated \$5.2 million for improvements, including synthetic turf replacement. All eight synthetic turf fields were installed in 2009. All fields were under warranty until 2017 and are currently declining in quality. Present day status includes an expired eight year warranty, tuft bind issues, low rubber volume and rubber migration, high traffic areas beyond repair, and the planarity, in some areas of the fields, have been compromised.

Selection Process-

Facilities and Operations staff engaged and received proposals from four contractors. Contractors were give specific criteria for the type of turf, infill material, scheduling, maintenance, construction experience, service, and pricing. After working with all four contractors, inspecting and assessing 17 turf fields from all four contractors, speaking with eleven references, and consulting with facilities and operations grounds staff, the Facility Planning Committee, high school principals and athletic directors, it was determined to proceed with Hellas Construction. Proposal includes athletic surfacing with related equipment products, supplies, installation surfaces, and available resources to complete all eight fields in thirteen weeks during the summer of 2018. Pricing pursuant to Greenbush/AEPA purchasing cooperative, contract #016-G Athletic Surfaces – Synthetic Turf.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends board approval of a contract with Hellas Construction for high school athletic complex improvements in the amount of \$4,353,476, plus a 5% contingency in the amount of \$217,674.00 for unforeseen costs, a total of \$4,571,150, contingent upon the district securing lease financing for the project, to be approved at a later date.

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve a contract with Hellas Construction for high school athletic complex improvements in the amount of \$4,353,476, plus a 5% contingency in the amount of \$217,674 for unforeseen costs, a total of \$4,571,150, contingent upon the district securing lease financing for the project, to be approved at a later date."