Facilities Report for Brookings School Board: December 9, 2024

The boiler replacement project at BHS continues. The scope of work has been fully approved: Facility Improvement Measures (FIM #1 and FIM #2) and Asbestos Abatement. Financing for the project has been secured.

Associated Pool Builders from Bismarck provided an estimate for repairs/maintenance for the pool at the high school. Expenditures for this project will be a part of budget planning for FY 26 along with 5-year capital improvement planning. Included in these upcoming discussions are plans for future ongoing maintenance on school buildings in the district.

Work is progressing on the high school science rooms remodeling project. COOP Architecture provided a preliminary report after an assessment of rooms and a meeting with science teaching staff and provided several options for consideration. The report was reviewed by the high school principals, school board finance committee, superintendent, and director of business services on Monday, November 25, 2024.

The state Fire Marshal conducted inspections of all boilers (except the two scheduled for replacement) at the high school on November 20, 2024.

I will continue to work with contractors at the two new schools to address warranty items and help as needed.

Facilities improvements within the Brookings School District make it a great place to learn and a great place to work. I am grateful for the opportunity to work to improve facilities for students and staff in the Brookings School District.

Respectfully submitted,

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