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The Fairfield Area School Board met for a special board meeting on Monday evening, July 20, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom meeting. The following members were in attendance: Mrs. Marcy Van Metre, Presiding; Mr. Earl Shutt, Mr. Greg Murray, Mrs. Becky Bequette, Mrs. Lashay Kalathas, and Mrs. Rhonda Myers. Mrs. Lauren Clark, Mr. Josh Laird and Mrs. Jennifer Holz were absent. Also present were Mr. Michael Adamek, Superintendent; Mrs. Amy Simmons, Business Manager; and Mr. Bill Mooney, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor.

**Presentations**

The need for a special meeting has come up due to a fire code inspection that has been done and we have found out that there are areas that we need to work on.  We need to have an engineer walk through and give us the scope of what needs to be done.  We cannot give the go ahead without board approval and time is important for the Trane project to keep moving.

In short there are spaces over the drop ceilings where the walls end from the classrooms to the hallways that are open.   These are potential problem areas that need to be addressed and the engineers will be able to give us full details of what needs done.  The information was discussed with Howie Kessel last year and communicated that he would be able to do it in-house.  The code inspectors came in and found that none of the work has been done and puts us in liability, if a fire would ever occur.  The concern is with smoke going from a classroom to the hallways, through those openings, and students not being able to have a clear way out of the building.

A discussion was held concerning the additional costs and why this was just being brought to the board. After these discussions a motion was made by Mrs. Van Metre and seconded by Mrs. Myers to not hire an engineer and proceed with the Trane project. A roll call vote was taken with all members casting assenting votes except for Mr. Shutt. Motion passes 5-1.

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**Adjournment**

On a motion made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mrs. Bequette, the meeting unanimously adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mrs. Marcy Van Metre Mrs. Amy Simmons

Board President Recording Secretary

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