

**Minutes of FACILITIES COMMITTEE**  
**The Board of Trustees**  
**Gull Lake Community Schools**

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A Facilities Committee meeting of the Board of Trustees of Gull Lake Community Schools was held on the 4th day of February 2026, beginning at 8:11 AM in the Christopher L. Rundle Administration Building.

**Roll Call:** Deputy Superintendent Lisa Anderson, Buildings & Grounds Director Mike Yale, Eddie Keene (via phone), Krystal Scott-Rhodes (via phone due to Military Duty), Superintendent Christopher Rundle, John McCann, Director of Business Services Amanda McElroy

**Guests:** Karyn Furlong, Mike Stephayn, Josh Reames

**1. Public Comments:** None

**2. Approval of Minutes:** The January 7, 2026 minutes were approved.

**3. Stadium Seating Project**

Karyn and the Athletic Boosters are exploring a booster-funded stadium seating initiative to generate additional revenue for athletic programs. The proposal includes permanently installed seats in the center section of the bleachers at a cost of \$50 per seat, with season ticket sales under consideration.

Details still being determined include whether seats will be sold by season or individual game, how the model may vary by sport, and how seating will be managed. Equity and access were also discussed. This is an initial overview, and additional details will be shared as plans are finalized.

**4. Technology Bid Recommendation**

Technology Director Mike Stephayn presented the Technology Bid Recommendation to the Committee. The proposal includes a network refresh – core switches and wireless access points at GLHS, GLMS, Ryan Intermediate, Bedford and the Administration Building.

The recommended bid from Vector Tech Group totals \$448,788.00. After the E-Rate discount of \$269,272.80, the district's cost would be \$179,515.20. The project will be funded through Technology Bond Series 2 and aligns with the 5-year technology plan.

The recommendation will be brought to the Board for formal approval.

**5. Food Service Excess Fund Balance Spend Down Plan**

The Committee reviewed the proposed Food Service Excess Fund Balance Spend Down Plan and its intended use to support facility improvements.

The current proposal focuses on improvements at Thomas M. Ryan Intermediate School. The scope of work consists of new walk-in cooler and freezer combo attached to the north end of the kitchen. Including the following:

- Doorway access through the existing dry storage space
- Concrete will be poured and extended to properly relocate the dumpster
- Stand-alone generator to ensure protection due to power outages
- Shelving and racks to fill out storage space

The recommendation is to award the project to Stafford-Smith with the amount of \$296,518.43 using the Food Service Excess Funds.

The purpose and allowable use of the Excess Fund Balance were reviewed, and future plans were discussed. The proposal will be brought to the Board for formal approval.

**6. Director of Buildings & Grounds Update**

Mike Yale provided an update on current facilities projects. The cold storage projects at GLCFA and Maintenance have not yet received occupancy permits, and punch list items remain at the Maintenance building.

Deputy Superintendent Anderson reported that potential Sinking Fund wishlist projects were reviewed with Miller-Davis. Preliminary budget estimates for adding air conditioning to the elementary gymnasiums were discussed; however, the projects are more complex and costly than originally anticipated and would require more than a simple addition. As a result, the District will reevaluate its Sinking Fund priorities.

**7. Next Meeting:** February 11, 2026 @ 8:05 a.m.