

Alt Bid A1 Aux. Gym

The Auxiliary Gymnasium is located to the west of the main gym. This non-competition gym will include a single playing court for basketball and volleyball. There will be minimal seating (50). This gym is not required for the instructional program at our current student population; but will enhance opportunities for school-day use, athletic practices (allowing multiple teams to practice simultaneously) and provide increased space for community use. The Auxiliary Gym would include indoor batting cages; eliminating the need to consider Alt A2: Indoor Batting Cages.

Alt Bid A2 Indoor Batting Cages

If the board does not accept the Auxiliary Gymnasium alternate this alternate, or Alternate S4: Covered Outside Batting Cages should be strongly considered for acceptance. During the beginning of spring sports season the weather is such that opportunity for indoor pitching and batting practice is important, though arguably not essential.

Alt Bid A3 Commons Side Curtain

These curtains are for the west side of the stage in the commons. The design will help reduce ambient light bleed and reduce visual distraction for audiences. Though not an essential it would serve to enhance this space.

Alt Bid A4a Gym Bleachers

The base bid specifies “Hussey” or equivalent bleachers. This is a bleacher commonly installed in schools and is commonly considered of good quality. This alternate is for “Interkal” bleachers which have features that we understand make them a superior product to Hussey. One key feature is the ability to deploy just the seating you need. If, for example you want only three rows of seats you can pull out three rows, if you need five, pull out five, etc. On the Hussey system you have either full deployment or one preset (say four rows). Think Honda vs. Acura. Paul will be doing further investigation on these products prior to Monday’s Meeting. The AD and Principal both believe this alternate should be strongly considered for acceptance.

Alt Bid A4b Theater Seating

Just as in the prior Alternate for Gym Bleachers this is an upgrade from the base bid theatre seating (also Hussey or equal) to Interkal. It is anticipated that these will be deployed much less frequently than the gym bleachers and the benefit is not expected to be worth the premium for the higher end product.

Alt Bid A5 SS Counters

This alternate is for the CTE classroom that does creative chef as well as other classes related to Family and Consumer Sciences. The teacher has requested a change from the specified Plastic Laminate (p-lam) to Stainless Steel, as it is more representative of a commercial kitchen. Stainless Steel was not included in the original design because it was decided in the design process that this classroom would have adjacency to the school kitchen so the creative chef class could be taught in the commercial kitchen. This Alternate would be very nice to have, but is not essential to operating an effective program.

Alt Bid M1 Ground Source Heating

This alternate would replace the traditional heating and cooling system with a hybrid system that utilizes a heat recovery system to significantly reduce the cost of fuel. The bids for this alternate came in at about two times the estimate. The estimate would have a payback period of about 22-24 years. The payback period, particularly given the actual bid cost would be substantial (45-50 years) and it is the administrative recommendation that this alternate not be accepted.

Alt Bid S1 Practice Fields

These fields would be to the west of the competition baseball/softball fields. The bids came in lower than estimate, In the case of Skanska significantly lower. If, as alternates are selected, Skanska remains the lowest bid, it is recommended that this alternate be strongly considered for acceptance.

Alt Bid S2 Synthetic Stadium Field

The bid documents require the contractor to hold the price for synthetic turf for eight months following the award of the bid. This gives us the opportunity to be done with a substantial portion of earthwork, which has a risk for change orders due to unknown conditions. If it appears that we can be less conservative with our contingencies we may be able to exercise this alternate at a later date. In addition, there may be opportunities for fundraising and grants. It is recommended that this alternate be held for consideration until we have a better picture of capital contingencies required.

Alt Bid S3 Ext. Batting Cages (no-cover)

Outside batting cages are a “must” for an effective softball/baseball program. The batting cages designed are “premium” including turf, draining, etc. Bids for this alternate came in higher than estimated. It would be very nice to have the quality of build that would come with these cages. If the cages are not accepted then, following occupancy we could add uncovered batting cages similar to those we

currently have at a cheaper cost than bid. The recommendation on this bid is “neutral.”

Alt Bid S4 Ext. Batting Cages (Covered)

This alternate is to cover the outside batting cages. If alternate A1 or A2 is accepted it is recommended that this alternate not be accepted. If A1 or A2 are not accepted this alternate should be considered for acceptance.

Alt Bid S5 Cross Country Path

This alternate is for a “wood chip” running path around the perimeter of the site. This would allow for use by PE classes and cross country. Unlike the uncovered exterior batting cages this would be difficult and more costly for post construction installation. It is recommended that this alternate be considered by the board.

Alt Bid E1 Theatrical Lighting System

Late in the design process our drama teacher, Mrs. Gordon, proposed substituting the specified lighting system with a system that she had learned from colleagues in other districts, was preferable to the one specified. The product specified is of very good quality. This is again a “Honda to Acura” comparison.