

# SDNB Outdoor Facilities Task Force

August 21, 2024

## Meeting Goals

- Brief review of previous meetings
- Learn about South Milwaukee's Launching a Legacy capital campaign



## Board of Education Resolution

**Charge:** The Task Force shall study the current outdoor facilities available and make recommendations for improvements to maximize utilization of space, equipment, infrastructure and facilities **within the non-referendum budget parameters** provided by the Superintendent. The Task Force will also explore funding mechanisms (naming rights, capital campaign, fundraising, etc.) to support any recommendations.

**Recommendation:** The Task Force chair shall present the group's recommendation to the Superintendent no later than Nov. 1. Interim reports shall be provided by the chair to the Superintendent, who will share those reports with the Board. The Superintendent will provide the Task Force recommendations to the Board no later than Dec. 1.





## Current State of Facilities

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#### Stadiums

- Field surfaces do not always hold up to the weather; weather makes it difficult to provide consistent, safe playing surfaces and results in usage limitations
- Tracks need to be fully repaired and resurfaced
- Softball / Baseball
  - Field availability often dependant on field playability
  - Title IX considerations
  - West baseball field is no longer in a "floodplain holding area"

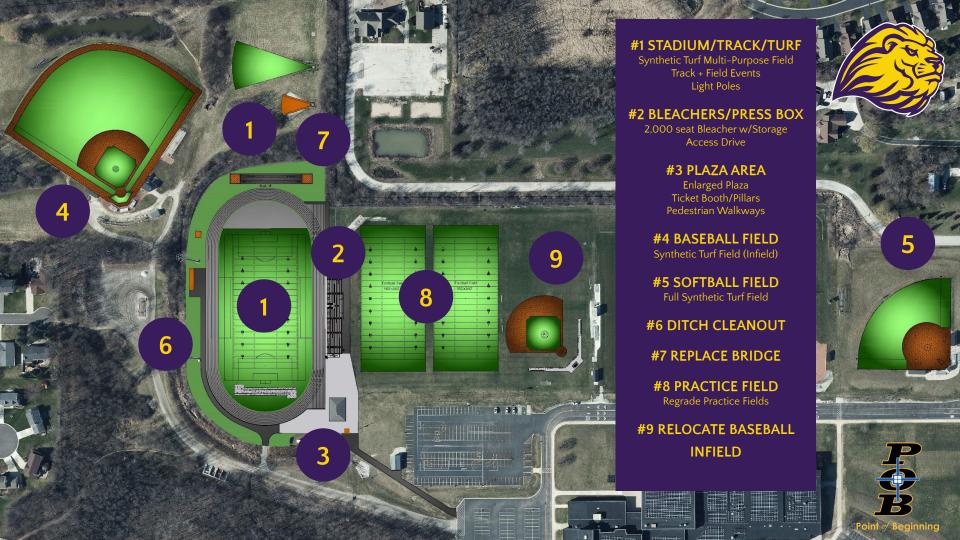
#### Other considerations

 Lighting and re-configuration of green space would yield more practice / competition opportunities





# Potential Upgrades





#### Phase 1

\$6.8 to \$9.9 million

(Approx. \$2 mil. allocated for new tracks in long-range plans)

- Turfed stadium surfaces
- Reconstructed tracks
- Upgraded field stations
- New stadium grandstand (at Ike)

#### Phase 2

\$2.0 to \$4.9 million

#### Phase 3

\$475,000

#### **Total**

\$9.3 to \$15.3 million

(Minus approx. \$2 mil. for Phase 1 tracks)

- Some combination of turfed softball (full field) and baseball (infield)
- Reconfigured green / practices spaces at Eisenhower

Remainder needed: \$7.3 to \$13.3 million (if all three phases are completed)





# Potential Funding Mechanisms

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- Capital Campaign
  - Funds 21 and 41
    - Fund 41 supports capital maintenance of facilities
    - Approximately \$2 million from Fund 41 planned for track replacements at both Eisenhower and West
    - Fund 21 used to report gifts by donor to be used for district operating purposes



## Potential Funding Mechanisms

- Capital Campaign (continued)
  - Naming Rights & Sponsorships
    - SDNB has signed six naming rights agreements totalling nearly \$300,000
    - Momentum could pick up with new construction, new facilities
  - Education Foundation of New Berlin
    - Main focus has been student scholarships and teacher grants
    - Can be valuable resource for support, various funds, donor / donation software, grant research and application



## Capital Campaign - an Overview

**What?** Targeted fundraising effort that takes place over defined period of time

**Why?** Often a result of significant need outside of normal budgeted expenses

#### **How?** Six key components

- Strict deadlines and timeline
- Focused team
- Clear goal(s)
- Targeted fundraising plan
- Quiet phase for major gifts
- Public phase



## Capital Campaign - an Overview

#### **Key principles**

- Involves top-level volunteers in addition to staff
- Require lots of one-on-one relationship-building and solicitations
- Reached largely through securing major gifts
- Roughly 65% of goal raised from major donors
   BEFORE going public





## A Potential Roadmap

## Launching a Legacy

#### **Timeline**

- 2021: Received a \$1 million gift from the Bucyrus Foundation, kickstarting \$4.4 million capital campaign
- Oct. 2022: public launch
- Construction began spring 2023, completed Nov. 2023
- Fundraising continues today



# Launching a Legacy









## Launching a Legacy

#### **Introductions**

- Jeff Dess, co-chair
- Mary Dess, treasurer
- John Galewski, co-chair
- Ante Udovicic, activities and athletics director





## Next Steps

#### What's Next?

- Right now
  - Feedback / questions
    - taskforce@nbexcellence.org
    - paper form
    - scan the QR code
    - visit the <u>website</u>
- Next Meeting 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25
  - Eisenhower Commons
  - go over Task Force survey results; formulate recommendation to the superintendent based on results









# Thank you!

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