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White Lake invites landowners to donate timber toward gym floor

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The new White Lake school gymnasium will feature material from the local Robbins Inc., which is recognized around the world for its athletic flooring, and local residents are being invited to play a role in securing it.

At Tuesday's meeting, the board of education discussed a plan to have district residents donate standing timber to the school construction project to either be used or help offset the cost of the gymnasium floor from Robbins.

The mill, a linchpin of the community for nearly a century, has supplied the floors for major coliseums as well as school athletic facilities.

Those interested in participating in the project should contact Dan Wickersheim.

In a related matter, the board reviewed recommendations from its ad hoc building committee regarding colors and floor coverings for the addition.

In November, the district successfully passed a \$3 million referendum to construct a central recreational center and new gymnasium, along with a second question authorizing the district to spend \$200,000 annually above state-imposed limits for the next three years to cover operational expenses.

The board reviewed a financial timetable for the project, with bonds slated to be sold in late January.

It also approved the senior class trip to Wisconsin Dells, amended the 2011-12 budget to reflect the extra referendum dollars, accepted the district audit, and directed Carol Blawat on voting on the resolutions that will be considered by the Wisconsin Association of School Boards when it convenes in January.

The board hired Karla Schuessler as a long-term substitute teacher for the second grade, agree to continue its hockey cooperative with the Antigo school district that allows a White Lake student to skate with the Robins, and approved family leave and early graduation requests.

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