

Argument Against Measure Q Dixon School Bond

It's 'for the children' – a much used phrase of late, and very appropriate when talking about education, but this 30 million, 25 year, nearly 60 million payoff plan may not fit. It is a look back to a brick and mortar idea in a Wi-Fi technology world, and will vastly reduce the district's flexibility going forward, in a rapidly changing education environment.

Enrollment is currently down from the 2008 high, questioning the need for new and expanded facilities; perhaps when and if rapid growth returns to Dixon, that new growth can pay for new facilities.

DUSD is now imprudently allowing deferred maintenance and further debt and more facilities will simple make that worse.

The Dixon School Board has a bad record of handling construction funds as demonstrated by the vast cost overrun building the new high school.

Estimates to rebuild the nearly 80 year old – old high school are likely far below the actual cost leaving the job partially done or the district looking for more debt to complete the project.

I urge the tax payers to reject his bond. I urge the DUSD to produce a more imaginative and useful plan to better serve the student body.

This bond, this plan is definitely not 'for the children.'

Thank You.

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