

Beatty High School Welding Shop

District

PWP# 2026-186

Nye County School

Board of Trustees regular meeting

Nye County School District

Nate Cardinal, MOSS Director

July 16th, 2026

Pahrump, Nevada

Agenda Item:

For Possible Action:

- a. Review the bid responses received for the Beatty High School Welding Shop Reconfiguration Project,
- b. Reject all bids for the project;
- c. Provide direction to staff regarding future action on the project.

Goal:

To reconfigure the welding shop at Beatty High School by relocating the welding instructional area and upgrading the supporting electrical and ventilation infrastructure. The project includes the installation of a new electrical transformer, breaker panel, ten welding booths, a dedicated welding exhaust system, and a new HVAC system to serve the relocated welding area. These improvements will provide a safer, more functional learning environment, increase instructional capacity, improve air quality and climate control, and ensure the shop meets current operational and safety needs.

Discussion:

The current welding area at Beatty High School is small and limits the amount of space available for students to work effectively. The welding instructor has done an excellent job making the existing space work, but the current layout is cramped and does not make the best use of the shop.

This project would relocate the welding area to a larger section of the shop and provide room for ten welding booths, a dedicated welding exhaust system, a new HVAC system, and the electrical upgrades needed to support the equipment, including a new transformer and breaker panel.

The project was advertised for bid, and two bids were received. During the review process, staff determined that the apparent low bidder is listed on the SAM.gov debarment list and is therefore ineligible to receive a contract using federal grant funds. The next lowest responsive bidder exceeds the available grant funding, leaving insufficient funds to award the project.

Because there is no eligible bidder within the available budget, I recommend rejecting all bids and canceling the project at this time. We will evaluate future funding opportunities and determine whether the project should be rebid at a later date.

Timeframe:

The project was planned to begin following Board approval. Since the available bids cannot be awarded, I am recommending that the project be canceled at this time. If additional funding becomes available, the project may be rebid at a future date.

Cost:

No award is recommended. I recommend rejecting all bids because the apparent low bidder is ineligible for award under federal requirements, and the next lowest responsive bid exceeds the available grant funding.

Attachments:

Bid proposals from Top Rank Builders Inc. and Air & Lube Systems Inc.