High school debates: lease or sell of location?

New proposition for November ballot causes conflict in TUSD

Marcia Contencas

A decision that arose during the Sept. 1 school board meeting has the board, administrators and residents asking themselves one question: how will the old Tombstone High School be used?

Two years ago, the district relocated Tombstone High School to a new facility, 1211 N. Yellowhammer Way. The school needed facilities that were too expensive and the school facilities board decided they would no longer repair the old high school.

“They found it more cost effective to build a new one instead,” said Karl Uterhardt, TUSD Board President.

Now, the Board of Education has placed the decision on whether the building will be up for sale or be put on a long-term lease on the upcoming Nov. 6 election ballot.

The money generated from a sale or lease would no doubt benefit the school district and Tombstone High School, but the issue is whether the school district should spend the money.

A sale would mean the district has no say over what happens to the building in the future, including what the community pays or how they maintain it. While a lease would mean the district has a say over what happens to the building in the future, the community pays the price for it.

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Tombstone faces drug problems

By Ross Hager

The Tombstone Epigram

Last month’s sentencing of Anthony Alan Jenkins, who was convicted of attempting to sell to a child, is not an isolated incident and is not unique to Tombstone.

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Scours military records, maps to find long-abandoned aircraft in hills

By Cat Casaigne

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"I was just fascinated by it," said Frank Fusco. "I was in the Air Force and I want to know why a plane crashed in the desert and what happened to the people inside.

Fusco is not alone. Many other people wish they could know why the plane crashed and what happened to the people inside.

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Naco border fence slows illegal drug trafficking

Some residents say 14-foot wall is a waste of money

By Ryan Kraft

Workers near Naco, Ariz., are making progress on a new fence to protect the U.S.-Mexico border. The massive 14-foot-high wall stretches deep into the desert with huge spotlights shining into the sky every 100 yards. The project, which is a way to move from Naco to the United States.

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“Either way we go, it’s going to be a waste of money,” he said. Border Patrol agent Michael Scioli, an entertainer with the Sons of the Pioneers singing group, was turned away from the old school property into a country music museum and dinner theater last month. He said.

This fence will make that a little more difficult.”

Uterhardt said the district is close to paying off the bond that financed the Old Tombstone High School, which was built in 1922 and was the oldest functioning high school in Arizona. As such, it carries expenses of more than $300,000, though he believes that numbers are lower during summer months. They’ll jump the fence, then Border Patrol agents race after and catch them.

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