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A new floor at the Luther L. Wright School library and new paint on the walls have added light to the room. Action Floors of Mercer, Wis., completed the floor project. From left are Ironwood Area Schools superintendent Tim Kolesar, school board president Steve Thomas, Tom Abendroth and Dan Corullo, of Action Floors; Jaap Swank and Vas Verhagen, of the Herculon company, Holland; and the floor installers from Action Floors, Cory Corullo and Don Brown.

Bright new floor completes library renovation at school

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IRONWOOD — A new floor that replaces one that was around 87 years old has concluded renovations to the library at the Luther L. Wright School.

Action Floors of Mercer, Wis., installed the epoxy floor that includes color chips. Action Floors owners Dan Corullo and Tom Abendroth viewed the finished floor on Monday morning with Ironwood Area Schools District superintendent Tim Kolesar and school board president Steve Thomas.

Two representatives of Herculon, the Holland company that manufactures the floor product, were also on hand. Jaap Swank and Bas Verhagen were pleased with Action Floors' installation of the floor.

"It's perfect," Swank said.

Cory Corullo and Don Brown of Action Floors completed the installation job in only three and one-half days.

Cory Corullo noted the women on the school board chose the color chip scheme for the project.

Kolesar said the old floor, consisting of vinyl tile over concrete, was uneven. Thomas said he nearly tripped over broken tiles before the floor was replaced.

Thomas noted the floor and brighter paint on the walls of the library have greatly improved the educational environment. "There's much more light in here now," he said. The walls were previously a drab blue.

The library project is part of the extensive overall Luther L. Wright renovation project.

Dan Corullo said his business has exclusive North American rights to the Herculon floor product. He said Action Floors has been involved in a partnership with Herculon for about 10 years.

Herculon is a Dutch company

that has more than 25 years experience in manufacturing synthetic flooring systems. The company boasts its floors are seamless, non-porous, hygienic and easy to clean and maintain.

Swank said the library floor will provide moisture protection that should prevent the heaving that was evident in the old floor. Dan Corullo said the old floor was in the worst shape of any project his company has tackled.

Kolesar said with the renovation of the library, he hopes the school district will be able to con-

duct more partnerships with the city of Ironwood's Carnegie Library.

Herculon produces floors worldwide for all types of sporting activities.

Action Floors will also install a new surface at the Donald Patterson tennis courts that the school uses for its matches, near the Riverside Cemetery, Kolesar said. He said the tennis court project that will begin next week will be done at a discounted rate as a sort of showcase of Herculon's sports surfaces.

