Present: Donald Smith, Peter Kubik, Paul Mirabelle, Ray Catlin, Bruce Baker, Gene Coppola, Trisha Danka, Phyllis Jachimowski, Saundra Gesek, Michael Marcinek, Jay Hatfield, Yashu Putorti

Absent: John Conroy

Fusco Corporation Representative: Jeff Luzzi

Silver-Petrucelli Representative: David Stein

Board of Education Representatives: Christine Syriac, Richard Belden
                                             David Olechna, Leslie Sojka

Others: Marc D’Agostino, Ralph Lombardi

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and asked for any public comment.

Ralph Lombardi addressed the Committee membership and presented a written request as a possible remedy to the weed problem which he alleges occurred during the landscaping work done on the school property. His home is adjacent to the property and he is seeking some relief from the extensive weed problem that has occurred on his land since renovations took place. Among his suggestions was the erection of a vinyl fence, six feet high, to be placed at ground level. He still contended that if the one hundred feet tall trees had not been removed, there would have been no problem whatsoever.

Mr. Lombardi left the meeting session at 7:10 p.m.

It was determined that the Board of Education will review the situation and look to the Public Works Department for assistance in maintaining the shrub growth adjacent to the Lombardi property.

Mr. Smith called for a motion of approval of the minutes of the September 11, 2012 meeting session.

MOTION: (Mr. Catlin, sec., Mrs. Danka) to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2012 meeting session as presented.

Mr. Smith offered one correction on page 5—the invoice for special testing should have shown a cost of $592.00

So moved with correction noted.
Affirmative: Mr. Catlin, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Putorti, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Marcinek

Correspondence

Mr. Smith related that the Board of Education had received an e-mail from the State Department reminding the Board that since legislation enacted in July of 2009, all building project costs exceeding $500,000 must be bid on the State’s web site as well as the local media. It was important that this was done as the Town’s attorney has to sign off on reimbursement forms that all State required procedures were followed.

Discussion with Construction Manager

Mr. Luzzi stated that he had no change order requests to submit at this meeting session. He is reviewing a claim from the P & D Firm that work done on installing piping in the lobby floor to the gym would cost more as the work required was different from the plan design.

Mr. Stein stated that he had received a memo related to this situation which has been forwarded to Ken Sgorbati for further review.

Mr. Luzzi stated that several contractors would be coming into the building on Columbus Day to address some of the punch list items that still remain to be done.

Discussion ensued as to the height of the cafeteria serving line tray holder. Mr. Stein stated that the design drawings showed a height of thirty inches. The shop drawings came out at thirty-six inches. The design team does not review the dimensions and this is the reason that the oversight occurred. The solution to this problem will be to lower the tray slides three or four inches and remove all four of the top sections. This work will begin on Tuesday of the coming week.

It was mentioned that the defrost alarm on the freezer unit continues to be set off. Mr. Luzzi will check on this situation.

Discussion with Architect

Mr. Stein stated that a building project of this magnitude will have various issues that creep up. The issue lies in the design side and the construction side. Sometimes, they are not a perfect combination. However, he felt strongly that issues at this time are minor ones. They are being addressed and patience is needed in seeking their remedy.

One of these issues is the chair situation. The pre-school chairs ordered are suitable for this age group. The vendor is looking into the possibility of selling the taller chairs as this is the only way they will accept their return. Thirteen inch chairs would be a better fit and the selling remedy is still being pursued.
The Committee will have to address the oversight in not ordering folding chairs for the auditorium/gymnasium. It has been determined that a minimum of three hundred seventy-two chairs would be needed for this facility. The cost for the three hundred series put out by the W. B. Mason Company would be $5300. Five dollies would be needed for their storage which would add an additional thousand dollars to the total cost.

After discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to approve the purchase of three hundred seventy-two chairs and five dollies from the W. B. Mason Company at a cost of $6,391.00.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mrs. Danka, Mr. Marcinek, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

It was stated that library chairs would be delivered during the coming week and that cafeteria tables would have to be checked in regard to ADA requirements.

Mr. Luzzi left the meeting session at 8:32 p.m.

Mr. Smith went out of the regular order of business and moved to an Update on the Technology Contracts as Marc D’Agostino was present at the meeting session.

Mr. D’Agostino reported that all security systems were now being monitored by the company. Reaction control problems have been worked out. A request has been made for the installing of another camera that would be placed closer to the playground area.

Most all phones are in operating mode. There are three rooms where a phone problem still exists and this is currently being addressed.

The B & G Company has installed the computers. Some problems have still not been resolved and are being addressed. Four to five of the devices were found to be defective. B & G representatives are working with Roberta Pratt, Technology Coordinator for the Seymour Schools, in resolving this situation.

An audio system remains to be installed the gym and the library.

Mr. Mirabelle left the meeting session at 9:00 p.m.
Mr. D’Agostino continued his report on the phone system. The power supply was in question. What was needed was above the power recommended by design. Installations involved putting in a redundant mode or a combined mode to provide enough power for all phone systems. B & G had initially installed the redundant mode and have now put in the combined mode that has resolved the situation.

Mr. Kubik voiced his concerns with this latter installation as if an outage occurs, all systems will become dysfunctional.

It was mentioned that two additional A-Phone Systems would be needed for the main office at a cost of $1650.00. As this could be a matter that could be addressed by the Board of Education, the following motion was made until further information is procured:

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Catlin) to table discussion on the purchase of two additional A-Phone Systems for the main office until further information is procured.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Danka, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: Mr. Putorti

Mr. D’Agostino left the meeting session at 9:30 p.m.

Update from Commissioning Agent

Mr. Smith stated that he had talked with the Commissioning Agent and that a final report was being worked on at this time.

Mr. Stein advised that the Committee membership get a position from the Commissioning Agent on the air flow problems that have occurred. This position should be submitted in the final report.

Review of Budget

It was stated that no changes have occurred since the last meeting session. The budget’s status remains the same.

Ms. Gesek and Mrs. Jachimowski left the meeting session at 9:40 p.m.
Other Business

Mr. Smith reminded the Committee membership that the next meeting dates have been set for October 9, 2012 and October 24, 2012.

Mrs. Danka reported on the plans for the Dedication Ceremony which has been scheduled for Sunday afternoon, October 14, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. She requested that a podium be in place on that day.

Hearing nothing further:

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mrs. Danka) to adjourn the meeting.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Baker, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Submitted by:

Eugene Coppola