



## FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 25, 2014

Central Office

8:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:           Saundra Gesek  
  Jay Hatfield  
  Fred Stanek  
  Yashu Putorti

Others in Attendance:                   Christine Syriac  
  Rick Belden  
  Wayne Natzel

### I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Mrs. Syriac opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:07 p.m.

### II. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Mrs. Syriac asked for nominations for the Chairman of the Facilities Committee. Mr. Stanek nominated Jay Hatfield; Ms. Gesek seconded this nomination. Mrs. Syriac asked three more times for further nominations; hearing none she called for a vote.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Stanek/sec., Ms. Gesek) to elect Mr. Hatfield as chairman of the Facilities Committee

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Mr. Stanek, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield

Mrs. Syriac turned the meeting over to Mr. Hatfield.

### III. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

A. Discussion and Possible Action

#### 1. Named Designated Areas for Chatfield-LoPresti School

Mr. Hatfield said he thought the main issue was the Tina Kobasa Playground and whether we should name a playground or some area in Chatfield-LoPresti School for her. He said he thought it would be nice to honor her in some way and make sure she was not forgotten. Mr. Stanek said there are two playgrounds and the gymnasium as possible areas that could be named and that we should discuss if we want to name areas in CLS for the people already recognized in LoPresti. There was some discussion on removing the plaques from LoPresti School and establishing an area in Chatfield-LoPresti School for them to be displayed. Mr. Natzel will inspect the plaques at LoPresti and attempt to remove them. It was suggested that a professional photo could be taken of the mural and it could also be displayed in CLS.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Stanek/sec., Ms. Gesek) to recommend to the full Board the removal of all plaques in LoPresti School and move them to a display area at Chatfield-LoPresti School so the history of dedications can be preserved

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Putorti

Mr. Hatfield asked when we last named anything after someone and it was thought to be prior to 2001. Mr. Stanek said he felt it was appropriate to name educators, and Ken Ewaskie comes to mind; he was an outstanding community member as well as a Seymour educator. Mr. Hatfield asked what the process was and Mr. Stanek said it was based on Board decision. With regard to the rock with the plaque at LoPresti School, Mr. Stanek suggested we discuss with the full Board the possibility of doing a presentation to the town to encourage its preservation. There was discussion regarding naming a CLS playground for Mrs. Kobasa and asked for ideas for naming the CLS media center.

Mr. Belden mentioned that he was concerned about having a public discussion about a possible candidate and then not naming in their honor. Mr. Hatfield said maybe we need to develop some type of policy for this. Mr. Stanek said the Coppola library was suggested by the building committee. Mrs. Syriac said some districts have policies against naming buildings after people while others are the Board's prerogative.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Stanek/sec., Ms. Gesek) to recommend to the full board the naming of a playground at Chatfield-LoPresti School in honor of Mrs. Kobasa and discuss the possible naming of the Chatfield-LoPresti Library Media Center in honor of a Seymour educator.

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Putorti

**2. Seymour Middle School Humidity Situation**

Mr. Belden reminded the committee that a quote was previously submitted to the Board of Education to do a study of the humidity situation at Seymour Middle School. At that time the high humidity days had passed and the Board requested additional proposals. Mr. Belden reviewed the proposals and highlighted the details of each one. Mr. Stanek was pleased that we now have three quotes.

**MOTION:** to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to accept the October 25, 2013 proposal of Silver Petrucelli and Associates in the amount of a fixed fee of \$8,500 to perform mechanical engineering services at Seymour Middle School

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Putorti

**B. Reports**

**1. Chairman's Report**

Mr. Hatfield asked if anyone had any other questions for this committee. Ms. Gesek asked about the status of the pool and Mr. Natzel indicated they were waiting on the delivery of the pump which should be here today or tomorrow. It will be installed and then the pool will be back up and running. Mr. Stanek asked about the salting of the parking areas and Mr. Natzel responded that it is better this year. Mr. Hatfield asked if the salt shortage has affected us and Mr. Natzel said no. Mr. Hatfield asked if the roofs were ok with all the snow and Mr. Natzel said they are monitoring them and there is no problem as of now. No shoveling is necessary.

**2. Superintendent's Report**

Mrs. Syriac asked Mr. Belden to share the information on the Integrated Energy Opportunity that would be on the March 3 BOE agenda for the full Board's approval. Mr. Belden did a brief overview of the opportunity saying that he would go into more detail for the full Board. The full Board will be asked to authorize the Superintendent to sign a letter of agreement.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** (Ms. Gesek/sec., Mr. Stanek) to adjourn the meeting

**SO VOTED**

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Putorti

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Lee-Ann Dauerty  
Board Clerk