



FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

December 16, 2014

Chatfield-LoPresti Conference Room

7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Sandra Gesek

Jay Hatfield

Fred Stanek

Others in Attendance:

Rick Belden, Asst. Superintendent, Finance & Operations

Wayne Natzel, Director of Facilities

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Mr. Hatfield called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04 pm

II. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Discussion of possible selection criteria for naming parts of buildings after individuals.

The Committee members discussed the need to prepare a process / procedure for naming parts of school buildings. Board Policy 7551 "New Construction - Naming of Facility" and the associated regulation were reviewed and discussion ensued regarding updating the policy and forwarding to the policy committee/full board. Mr. Stanek noted that the discussion pertaining to this matter could be lengthy and it might be appropriate to table discussion until later in the meeting so Mr. Natzel could address the committee. The item was tabled until later in the meeting and the committee members moved to Item II C on the agenda.

C. Review wording of plaques for naming of CLS Media Center and Playground.

Mr. Belden reviewed the proposed style of plaque and the proposed wording to be used for the respective honorees (Vincentena Kobasa and Kenneth Ewaskie). The committee members felt the plaque style (stainless steel) was appropriate as it matched the building committee dedication plaque in the main lobby. The wording was also acceptable, with one minor change provided by Mr. Stanek and accepted by the other members of the committee. The committee members indicated that they would like to present to the full Board of Education for review and approval, with a recommended target date of the 3rd Monday in March, 2015 for the re-dedication of the playground and dedication of the library media center. It was noted by the committee members that Mr. Ewaskie was very honored by this dedication and a number of his family members were being invited to the ceremony.

MOTION: (Mr. Stanek/sec., Ms. Gesek) to approve the plaque and wording as presented and amended for the Vincentena Kobasa Playground and the Kenneth Ewaskie Library Media Center

SO VOTED

Affirmative: Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek, Ms. Gesek

III. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report

Mr. Hatfield asked Mr. Natzel for an update on the various projects discussed in previous meetings. Mr. Natzel discussed the successful completion of the lighting retrofit project at the schools. A review of the status of the snow melt system at Chatfield LoPresti School was held, with Mr. Natzel indicating that the system is currently inoperable due to multiple leaks. The Building Committee has been working with the appropriate construction vendors to remediate the situation, but it appears that the only viable solution is to remove the entire piping system and reinstall new piping. Town Counsel has been working with the Building Committee to examine repair options and open warranty issues.

(Mr. Natzel left the meeting at 7:43 p.m.)

B. Superintendent's Report

None

II. Discussion and possible action, Continued

A. The committee returned to the tabled item regarding possible selection criteria for naming parts of buildings after individuals. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding rewording Policy 7551 and the associated regulation, with the committee focusing on restructuring/revising the policy/regulation to reflect more relevancy to recent requests and current practices. Mr. Stanek volunteered to rework the policy and regulation based on the comments of the committee members and to then send the revision (after further Facilities Committee review) to the Policy Committee for possible action.

B. Discussion of request for naming of SMS Auditorium after an individual.

Mr. Stanek indicated that it might be prudent to table discussion on this matter until the revised policy/regulation is completed and action taken by the full Board.

MOTION: (Mr. Stanek/sec., Ms. Gesek) to table Item II B (Discussion of request for naming of SMS Auditorium after an individual) until after the Board acts upon the proposed revisions/updates to Policy 7551

SO VOTED

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

IV. ADJOURNMENT

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

SO VOTED

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm

Submitted by:
Rick Belden
Acting Clerk