FACILITIES COMMITTEE



MINUTES

September 21, 2010 Central Office 7:00 p.m.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: Peter Kubik, Jim Garofolo, Yashu Putorti, Jeanne Loda, Ed Strumello, MaryAnne Mascolo, Rick Belden, Ed Rostowsky, Wayne Natzel, Mark Krauchick

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Garofolo at 7:00 p.m.

1. Election of Chairperson

Mr. Garofolo asked for a motion to have agenda item #1 Election of Chairperson to be tabled until the next board meeting. No second to the motion was made.

Mr. Putorti made a motion to elect a chair person and nominated Peter Kubik pursuant to the Board of Education's discussions in a previous Executive Session.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti., sec. Mr. Kubik) to elect Peter Kubik as chairperson of the Facilities Meeting

Mr. Garofolo opposed the motion indicating he felt the motion was improper and objected to this agenda item.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Putorti, Mr. Kubik

2. Review of Summer Projects

Mr. Belden distributed the Summer Projects report and indicated that Mr. Natzel prepared the first two pages. This report is a highlight of the summer projects and information regarding the budget process. Mr. Natzel went through the report beginning with the projects that were completed at the high school. Mr. Strumello asked if we still received help from the students in the woodworking class as we had in the past. Mr. Natzel said that he would check into this and possibly utilize the students in the future. Mr. Strumello asked if the divider wall was necessary because it is in the way during volleyball games and Mr. Natzel indicated it was repaired because a piece had fallen from it and was not sure of the status of the doors behind the divider. Mr. Natzel confirmed that the ceiling lighting cages are checked and repaired during the summer. Mr. Natzel also indicated that he will check the bulbs in the scoreboard. Mr. Belden indicated a bid would go out to repair the track and the tennis courts.

Mr. Natzel reviewed the projects that were completed at the middle school. He talked about losing fluid and was unable to find the problem. Mr. Putorti expressed a concern that we are unable to find the plans for the building and Mr. Belden said he was trying to get copies from the architect.

At Chatfield and LoPresti projects were at a minimum due to the impending construction but did move the nurses' office in preparation of the construction.

At Bungay, they repaired the slabs in the front of the school but he indicated that we need to do something with them in the near future.

Mr. Belden reiterated that we will only be doing repair and emergency work in LoPresti and Chatfield until the construction project is complete.

3. Work Scheduled for 2011-2012

Mr. Natzel asked if money permits next summer; that we should look at how we heat the pool and possibly eliminate the four small boilers that are used during the summer. He also asked about doing a container for the chlorine. Mr. Belden indicated the energy committee is looking into doing solar for the pool in the future.

There was also discussion on repairing the gym floor which is warping due to moisture. It will have to be sanded at some point in the future. The last time this was done was about eight years ago. Mr. Belden said this work was included in the budget.

The field lights had some issues which have been repaired but Mr. Natzel feels this is a problem that will need to be addressed in the future. He also indicated that the pool will need to be drained and painted at some time in the future. Mr. Kubik asked about the possibility of converting to a salt water pool which doesn't require chlorine at all; it is maintained by a computer. Mr. Natzel said he would check into it.

The custodial staff will continue to work on the replacing the classroom doors so they will be consistent throughout the school.

Mr. Natzel will develop a four year plan to clean the duct work at the middle school.

At Bungay, Mr. Natzel is getting pricing for an electronic control system for heating and cooling for better regulation of temperature.

Mr. Natzel asked the committee to support the reinstatement of a full time custodian position that was eliminated in this year's budget. He felt that we really need this person. He would like it added back in the 2011-2012 budget. Mr. Belden asked that it be considered during the budget process. Mr. Krauchick asked that the board support this reinstatement and indicated the union is more than willing to work with management. He is concerned that the buildings are not being maintained at the level they have been maintained in the past because they just don't have the manpower to keep it up. The custodians take pride in their work and don't like it that they have not been able to keep the schools at the level they have in the past. Mrs. Flood complimented the custodial union on how easy they were to work with during negotiations. There was some discussion about tracking the overtime to see if it has increased because of the lesser number of custodians. Mr. Strumello encouraged Mr. Krauchick to speak to their administration to make the recommendation to reinstate this position.

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4. Review of Inspection Reports

Mr. Natzel indicated that all but two of the violations have been corrected and those two are not of a pressing nature.

5. Chairman's Report

None

Mr. Garofolo requested a copy of the meeting tape and the minutes.

6. Superintendent's Report

None

MOTION: (Mr. Kubik, sec. Mr. Putorti) to adjourn the meeting

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Kubik, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Garofolo

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Submitted by: MaryAnne Mascolo

SO VOTED