

**SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL
FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**
Spaulding High School Library
August 9, 2017 - 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

David LaCroix - Chair
Luke Aither, Assistant Principal
Jaime Evans, Facilities Director
John Pandolfo, Superintendent

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Joe Blakely
Jason Derner, Assistant Director Central Vermont Career Center
Ed Rousse

GUESTS PRESENT:

Paul Malone Brenda Waterhouse

1. Call to Order

The Chair, Mr. LaCroix, called the Wednesday, August 9, 2017, Facilities Committee meeting to order at 3:34 p.m., which was held at the Spaulding High School Library.

2. Additions and/or Deletions to the Agenda

None.

3. Approval of Minutes – June 7, 2017 Facilities Committee Meeting

On a motion by Mr. Pandolfo, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the June 7, 2017 Facilities Committee meeting.

4. Sprinkler System Update

A copy of a letter from Travelers Insurance to Tim Vincent, VSBIT Manager of Risk Services (dated 08/01/17) was distributed. Mr. Pandolfo reported that the Assistant State Fire Marshall was advised that Travelers Insurance would visit the school and review what was in place, discussions would be held with the Facilities Committee and the Board, and that a plan would be presented. A 5 year plan must be submitted by 11/01/17. It was noted that the Assistant State Fire Marshall requires that a plan be in place and that he recognizes the financial constraints. It was noted that the report from Travelers Insurance appears generic in nature, no real deficiencies are identified, and the report does not appear to mandate installation of sprinklers throughout the building. Mr. Evans advised regarding discussion with the Assistant State Fire Marshall, including his understanding that, with installation of new sprinklers (on the floor above the CVCC Trade area), and installation of fire doors in specific areas, the need to install additional sprinklers, may be negated. It was noted that the State and SHS share ownership of items not completed in the past. Lengthy discussion was held regarding the necessity and cost of sprinkling the entire building. The quote obtained in February 2016 for sprinkler installation in the floor above the trade area was \$166,200. The amount could be financed by the Capital Improvement Fund. It was estimated that phase 2 of sprinkler installation throughout the entire building is approximately \$900,000. Funding requires voter approval. Concerns were raised that voters are unlikely to approve a requests for funding of sprinkler installation and that such requests could negatively impact the passing of school budgets. The Committee agreed that the five year plan must clearly document that additional sprinkler installation is contingent upon voter approval of funding. It is hoped that the result of an extensive onsite visit with the Assistant State Fire Marshall, will result in suggested changes that may allow for an extended timeframe for sprinkling the remaining areas of the building. In response to a query, it was agreed that Mr. Evans would contact other schools to determine which schools, built before 1964, are fully sprinkled.

5. Summer Projects Updates

Mr. Evans advised regarding summer projects, including renovations to the last science room (near completion), replacement of flooring, phase 2 of the CVCC office renovations (near completion), installation of unit ventilators (20 to be installed), installation of granite benches near the new CVCC entrance, painting, and work on Pendo Field. Installation of new unit ventilators for the history hall and a few rooms in the library hall will most likely be completed next year. The sidewalk in front of the SU building is slated to be fixed/replaced prior to the beginning of the school year. Mr. Pandolfo advised that ongoing parking issues at the SU building will be discussed at the SU Board meeting.

6. Other Business

None.

7. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 in the Spaulding High School Library. A building walk-through, with the Assistant State Fire Marshall, will be held at 3:45 p.m. The meeting will commence at the completion of the walk-through.

8. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Aither, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Poulin