

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, May 8, 2018
BOARD ROOM ~ ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Board: Mrs. Kathryn Chandless, Mr. Matthew Bilker,
Mr. Leonard Altieri, Mr. Matthew Catania, Mr.
John McKenzie

Administration: Dr. Carol Cary, Dr. Connie Bompadre, Mr.
Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Jake Gallagher, Mr. Jim
Orwig

Press: 0

Audience: 8

In the absence of Mr. Reynolds, Mrs. Chandless the following report:

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 6:47. Stood on the Pledge
from the Budget and Finance Meeting

2. Additions to the Agenda

There was none

3. Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Chandless asked for the approval of the minutes for the April
meeting.

With no further discussion, the minutes were approved

4. Informational/Discussion Items ~ Facilities

A. Discussion of Summer Projects:

Before the above, Mrs. Chandless wanted to advise the audience that
Bonnett was coming into speak. Mr. Reynolds asked to have postponed
because he was unable to make tonight's meeting. Mrs. Chandless did
speak with Pete Medica and they are still refining the Ed Specs. It would

be best to get them at the June meeting. Will have a special meeting if possible. Mr. Gallagher will contact them and see if that is possible.

- Update: Paint project for Paxon Hollow Middle School
- Update: Remediation of floor tile at Russell and Worrall Elementary

Mr. Gallagher explained that he has met with the vendors and Principals ~ picking colors and stains at this time. We are on schedule with all of the projects.

B. Discussion: Loomis PTO Bully Wall and Mural

Exploring options for the Bully Wall at Loomis. A donation from Loomis PTO along with other sponsors will pay for the materials. Once this is approved they will reach out to the Board for approval of the design. Hope to get the students involved and hope to have it done this summer. One idea was to construct a wall for this project. Possible size would be 8' x 10' same as the one at Russell.

C. Discussion: New PECO lighting incentive program from 2018-2020.

Program lighting work with vendor from PECO. There is no cost involved. Mr. Gallagher will get further information.

D. Discussion: Fields Project update.

Mr. Gallagher would like to rescind the approval of Option G for the field project. After looking further into the process, the parking, traffic flow with bus drivers, and safety of students is a concern. Therefore, he feels that this option is not the one the District should pursue. He would recommend to go with Option A on the 14 acres at the High School, half grass, half turf plus field house. Mr. Gallagher would like to have it on the website before the next meeting. The design will be there but no cost will be listed. There could be a possibility of breaking ground this fall on the 14 acres.

A request was made to show the spreadsheet with cost as well ~ it may have to be modified because of the cost of some of the project has already been paid.

There was a question about the fields at the Gauntlett Center ~ work would be done in house.

After a brief discussion, will take to the Board for approval.

5. Transportation

- A. Presentation of “Wide Span Scraper System” for safer and more efficient snow removal from school bus roof tops.

Mr. Orwig explained that Mr. Driscoll and Mr. Gallagher were talking about the cleaning of the buses when it snowed. It takes six plus hours to clean the buses for a two-hour delay.

Mr. Dodds, Transportation Supervisor gave the following presentation:

- He came from a School District that had this system
- This is a safer alternative to removing snow from the bus roofs
- Currently the system being used is unsafe, anyone could get hurt, no one has been hurt yet
- It is illegal to drive with snow on the roof of the bus.
- Mr. Dodds showed pictures of the current practice and showed how unsafe this procedure can be.
- Presented the amount of hours that it takes to complete all of the buses could be in excess of 6 hours. There could be 9 drivers at a time trying to get the buses ready
- This system is much safer and could be accomplished in about 2 hours. This past year it was a total of 109.23 hours of work.
- This is a brush system ~ there would be no damage to the bus
- Bid would be for a 30' wide scraper
- Location would be in the upper lot where the buses are parked and is locked
- If ordered after August 1st ~ full price. In July would be \$2,500 less. Ordered by June 1st the district could save almost \$4,000.00
- Would come out on Media Line Road ~ up West Chester Pike to the area where the scraper system would be located.
- Insulation would have concrete footings. Has a 2 year warranty, 1 year on labor
- The company is a sole source provider.
- Total cost before June 1st is \$29,830.

6. Other Business

Mr. Gallagher explained at the April 24th meeting approved 15.04 Fire Alarm System. Mr. Gallagher would like to amend the amount to \$12,175.00. Project not to exceed \$24,000.00. This is just to correct the minutes.

7. Public Comment

There was none

8. Adjournment

Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM.