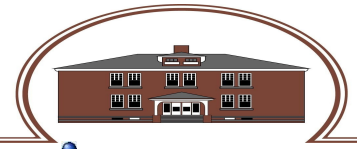


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MEMORANDUM

TO: Barre Unified Union School District Facilities and Transportation Committee

Giuliano Cecchinelli - Chair, Tim Boltin - Vice Chair, Guy Isabelle

DATE: December 8, 2020

RE: Barre Unified Union School District Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting
December 14, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m. via Google Meet

Meeting ID: meet.google.com/yva-xiqt-dmj

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Additions/Changes to Agenda
3. Public Comment
4. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - 4.1. Meeting Minutes November 9, 2020
5. New Business
 - 5.1. Athletic Entrance at SHS
 - 5.2. Bus Survey for SHS Families
 - 5.3. Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation - Storm Water Run-off Regulations
 - 5.4. Keys for Substitutes at BTMES
6. Old Business
7. Other Business
8. Items for Future Agenda:
9. Next Meeting Date: January 11, 2021; 5:30 pm
10. Adjournment

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING NORMS

- Keep the best interest of the school and children in mind, while balancing the needs of the taxpayers
- Make decisions based on clear information
- Honor the board's decisions
- Keep meetings short and on time
- Stick to the agenda
- Keep remarks short and to the point
- Everyone gets a chance to talk before people take a second turn
- Respect others and their ideas

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BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Via Video Conference – Google Meet
November 9, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Giuliano Cecchinelli, Chair - (BC)
Tim Boltin, Vice Chair - (BC)
Guy Isabelle – (At-Large)
Andrew McMichael

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

David Wells, Superintendent
Scott Griggs, CVCC Assistant Director

GUESTS PRESENT:

1. Call to Order

The Chair, Mr. Cecchinelli, called the Monday, November 9, 2020 BUUSD Facilities and Transportation Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., which was held via video conference.

2. Additions and/or Deletions to the Agenda

Delete 5.1 Athletic Entrance at SHS – keep in as placeholder
Add 6.1 Deep Cleaning

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes – October 12, 2020 BUUSD Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting

The Committee agreed by consensus to approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2020 BUUSD Facilities and Transportation Committee meeting.

5. New Business

5.1 Athletic Entrance at SHS

5.2 Keys for Substitutes at BTMES

Mr. Evans has a meeting on 11/10/20 with BTMES principals and Paul Belise to discuss what is in place (for locks) and how to move forward. Keys for teachers and substitutes may or may not be mastered or given out for the purpose of locking doors in emergency situations. Mr. Evans is going to do some research to see how the building is set up for locking and what needs to be done to see that the building is set up similar to BCEMS and SHS (that all doors have push button locks on door handles), and to know that all teachers have a key that gives them access to classrooms, and that substitutes working in the building, also have classroom keys and building access cards for use in the event of an emergency. Mrs. Poulin advised that teaching during COVID requires teachers bring students outside for ‘mask breaks’ and that instances of substitutes being outside with students (with no other key carrying staff member present) occurs more frequently than during non-COVID times. Card access to the building is more of a procedural change, issuing the cards is not a big issue, but re-keying of doors is more complicated and does have costs associated with it. It is believed that teachers do not have master keys. Teacher keys most likely only open 1 door or a small set of doors within a specified area. In response to a query, Mr. Evans advised that keys at SHS are proprietary keys that cannot be copied, but he does not believe keys at BCEMS are proprietary, so there may be the possibility that one could get a copy made at a hardware store (not ideal). Mr. Wells advised that the risks to building security (should a teacher or substitute lose their key) should be identified, and that the design to keys should consider minimizing those risks. Conversely, if a teacher has a key that only accesses a certain portion of the building, and they are not in that section when an emergency occurs, that scenario also poses a problem/risk to safety. Mr. Wells suggested that consideration be given to fitting outside doors with locks that require key fobs, as that offers more control. Mr. Isabelle suggested that Mrs. Poulin be an ambassador to assist with this project. Mrs. Poulin advised she would be happy to assist if there is any way she can

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contribute. Mr. Cecchinelli queried regarding the cost associated with using card access for every lock in the building. Mr. Evans advised he believes the cost would be at a minimum, five figures, and in addition to installation, would also involve manpower to oversee/administer. Mrs. Poulin believes there should be some consistency between the buildings, and advised regarding the key 'check-in/check-out' procedures at SHS and BCEMS. Mr. Evans advised that he will provide follow-up to tomorrow's meeting, including associated costs. This item will be added to the December agenda.

5.3 Air Quality

This item is on the agenda as a result of concerns raised by the PCB issue found at a Burlington school. Mr. Evans has reached out to K&D Associates (who have been utilized for testing in the past). K&D representatives have advised that old style florescent lighting, and old window caulking, are sources of PCBs. Mr. Evans advised that BCEMS is a newer building and there are no concerns relating to PCBs at that property. SHS replaced old windows in the 1990's. BTMES did replace a majority of their older windows, but some remain. K&D has performed testing on windows at BTMES and results are forthcoming. Mr. Evans advised that inspection of the window caulking shows that the caulking is not degraded. The caulking, if intact should not pose a safety threat. All old style florescent lighting has all been replaced at SHS and BTMES. The issues in Burlington were discovered during assessment being performed in preparation for a major renovation project. Mr. Evans advised that it is known that there is no lead paint at BTMES or SHS (or BCEMS which is a newer building). Mr. Wells believes the State is probably looking into PCB testing at schools, and this matter may come up in the next legislative session. The State will most likely come up with a plan for testing and possibly allocate funding for remediation. Mr. Wells advised that it is probably prudent to hold off on any extensive testing until the State takes action. Mr. Evans advised that all of the District's schools have completed testing and remediation relating to lead in drinking water. In addition to testing in the schools, testing has also been completed at the Central Office (including asbestos etc).

Mr. Evans also consulted with K&D Associates regarding any airborne tests to identify COVID-19 contamination. There are currently no such tests in existence.

5.4 Efficiency Upgrades

This item is on the agenda as a result of discussion by the Finance Committee. Mr. Evans advised that most of the construction budget has been spent on projects and that the remaining funds are slated for routine maintenance. Mr. Wells advised that in general, the BUUSD is trying to build up its reserves and doesn't believe there is much in the way of surplus funds. Mr. Wells believes this agenda item might refer to lighting upgrades that may be offered by GMP or Efficiency Vermont. Mr. Evans is not aware of any major efficiency incentives that may be available at the present time. It was noted that a lot of lighting has already been replaced, and the State provided funding relating to air quality upgrades. Mr. Evans advised that lighting was upgraded a number of years ago. The current push is for LED lighting. Most grants to upgrade to LED lighting require a 'match' in funds. It was noted that BTMES needs to replace rooftop air conditioners and vent fan systems. Most of the units at BCEMS could probably be upgraded, but there are extensive costs associated with that. Mr. Evans reiterated that all of the BUUSD buildings are fully functional, well serviced, and well maintained as designed. Mr. Wells suggested researching whether or not GMP is running a program (as it did in the past) involving having a GMP selected engineer review the buildings, and make recommendations for lighting upgrades that could be performed and funded by savings achieved by the upgrades. Mr. Evans advised that approximately a year ago, he met with representatives from GMP and Efficiency Vermont regarding various upgrades. At that time, the upgrades were cost prohibitive.

6. Old Business

6.1 Deep Cleaning

Mr. Isabelle has been receiving inquiries regarding cleaning/deep cleaning, and asking why the schools can't be open for in-person learning on Wednesdays. Inquiries are related to the news that CVCC is moving to 5 days a week of in-person learning. Mr. Evans provided clarification regarding the term 'deep cleaning'. Mr. Evans noted that all buildings are properly cleaned every day and that high touch surfaces (door knobs, hand rails etc.) are cleaned multiple times during each day. On Wednesdays (virtual days), the extra cleaning time has been spent on cleaning/sanitizing bathrooms. The chemicals used to clean during the evening, cannot be used during the day when students and staff are in the building. Mr. Evans reiterated that the work necessary to clean and sanitize the buildings is performed every day. Mr. Evans believes the term 'deep cleaning' has been very confusing to the public, and stressed that the buildings are cleaned/sanitized on a daily basis. Mr. Wells advised that revised guidance from the State (effective 11/16/20), removes the term 'deep cleaning'. Mr. Wells and Mr. Griggs provided clarification that moving to 5 days a week at CVCC is possible due to a lower in-person student population, availability of 'space' (classrooms and labs), and the educational delivery model. Mr. Wells provided clarification that studies relating to renovation/relocation of CVCC are being performed because CVCC does not meet all current standards for safety, lab space, and storage space.

7. Other Business

In response to a query regarding the progress of the cleaning of the granite bollards at SHS, Mr. Cecchinelli advised that he has been working with Mr. Evans on this matter and he is currently waiting for a special tool that will take off the rust. Mr. Cecchinelli believes the tool may arrive as early as next week (sand blasting would most likely have resulted in discoloration of the granite).

Mr. Evans advised he will be performing additional research regarding storm water retention regulations/project financing.

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Mr. Evans advised that the new regulation pertain to any property that has 3 or more acres of impervious surface area, including parking lots and roof tops. All three building will be subject to the new regulations.

It was confirmed that the FY22 budget draft will include funding of \$1 per square foot (the industry standard).

No specific projects have been defined for next year. Known projects that will need to be performed in the future include;

SHS: Auditorium Upgrades

BCMES: Replacement of Roof Sections and Repaving of Parking Lot and Driveways

BTMES: Replacement of Rooftop AC Units and Exhaust Fan Units

8. Items to be Placed on Future Agendas

- Bus Survey for SHS Families
- Keys for Substitutes at BTMES
- Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation – Storm Water Run-off Regulations

Committee Members were advised to notify Mr. Cecchinelli of any additional items they would like placed on the agenda.

9. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m., via video conference.

10. Adjournment

The Committee agreed by consensus to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Poulin

Barre Facility Committee,

I have an update on the football field entrance project. I met with Clem Vallencourt from Spruce Mountain Granites, Inc. on November 11th. He was very helpful in discussing the basics of working with granite. He suggested not including any metal attached to the top of the granite as it will discolor the granite. He suggested Swenson (a division of Rock of Ages) to bore holes in granite if we decide to include electric with the design. He also suggested I speak with Greg Lord from EF Wall regarding a general contractor.

Based on Clem's suggested I created the attached information for Gregg Lord asking for his advice on where to start with this project.

Greg Lord sent me the following recommendations:

Hi Kerri – I believe this process would be best served by hiring an architect or engineer. They will be able to engage with you and/or the relevant committee for design, permitting and preliminary budgeting (ie, pre-construction) services. There will be ADA code issues which they will be able to address through design. When approaching them, I would recommend providing as much information as you can: D&K site plan highlighting where the improvements are to occur; photos of existing condition; photos of the concept like you provided me earlier; budget (I expect \$25-\$40k for the complete project including design); timeline; etc.

Once that process is complete, the resulting info can be provided as a bid package to a select group of contractors for bidding. I expect a realistic cost range for these pre-construction services would be \$3-\$8k. Local firms that I believe would be well suited for this include:

1. DeWolfe Engineering Associates, Montpelier - 802-223-4727 (Chris Temple, PE, Owner)
2. DuBois & King Engineering, Randolph - 802-728-3376 (Jeff Tucker, PE, President and resident of Barre Town- twin sons graduated SHS 2015-they also have done preliminary work for the athletic fields as you and I discussed)
3. Black River Design Architects, Montpelier - 802-223-2044 (Jay Ancel, one of the principals)
4. Gossens Bachman Architects, Montpelier - 802-229-1664 (Tom Bachman or Gregg Gossens, principals)

Do any of you have opinions on any of these businesses?

Once I have a price for phase 1 (preparing the plans), we will begin fund raising for phase 1.

Thank you,
Kerri Lamb

New Entrance Concept

Let's start transforming our field into a STADIUM

We would like to see if we can create something more like the bottom half of the page. The idea is to have two larger (maybe 24") granite cubed columns (noted as Area 1) recessed about 10' from the parking lot with a metal arched fence between the two 6' wide gates. We would love to have a local metal company alter or create a gate with an S or A.G.Pendo Stadium in the gate.

Then about 2' closer to the parking lot would be a second set of pillars (Area 2 on the graphic) much smaller than the gate pillars flanking the larger pillars with fencing between and finally a set of pillars about 6' closer (Area 3) to the road. In that section would be a ticket booth (may be created by Spaulding students to match the granite) on one side and fencing on the other. From that point we would like to install fencing (Area 4) such as the bottom graphic from the entrance reaching the corner by the river on one side and reaching the baseball field scoreboard on the other.

Current Situation



Area 4
Fencing style

