

Minutes of the Facilities/Enrollment/Transportation Committee of the Board of Education
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Monday, February 22, 2016

Start: 5:33 pm End: 6:21 pm

In attendance were: Janet Morgan, Mike Devine, John Chapman also, Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Maryanne Van Aken, Mike Molzon, Wayne McAllister and BoE clerk Deb Carlton

Ms. Morgan called on Mr. Molzon for a facilities update. He and Mr. McAllister provided 3 handouts outlining facilities goals/priorities for the 2016-17 non-recurring capital account. Mr. Molzon reviewed each school's needs. The committee discussed cell phone boosters for BES and NHS, LED lighting for parking lots at BES as an upgrade and with the benefit of money back from Eversource, LMC furniture at BES and WMS for programming needs, and rerouting of student traffic at WMS to prevent them traveling through the LMC. Paving at BES was considered. Ceiling replacement, painting, and shade replacement was also addressed. Ms. Morgan suggested assigning dollar amounts to each school as opposed to using the "district wide" category to avoid questions about where the funds are spent.

Dr. Cutaia-Leonard and Mr. Molzon reviewed a list of 5-year projects, noting that many items on it are approaching their age limits (30 years). Included on that list were roofs at MES and BES, oil tanks, paving and window replacement, paving, carpet replaced with floor tile, and intercoms at MES. Also of concern was asbestos on the pipes in the boiler room at MES. Because the custodians go in there and might rub up against them, Ms. Morgan suggested rewrapping them to be safe. The committee further discussed other options besides cell phone boosters, particularly since NHS will be renovated soon, and decided to revisit that topic.

Mr. Molzon also reported the well at BES is working.

Ms. Morgan asked about enrollment as it affects next year's budget and was told the elementary schools will be down 2 sections. Reductions in FTEs will result in a domino effect at WMS and NHS as staff members are moved in response to the decreases in enrollment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Morgan

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