

Madison Public Schools**Facilities Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 6:30 pm

Town Campus Hammonasset Room

10 Campus Drive

Madison, CT 06443

Meeting Minutes

Emily Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

In attendance: Emily Rosenthal, Galen Cawley, Steven Pynn, Seth Klaskin, Craig Cooke, Bill McMinn, Craig Cooke

Guests: Jacqueline Vyce, Justin Kababik (BL Companies), Blair Richardson (Colliers)

1. Presentation - Reinstatement of Paper Towels in Student Bathrooms

- Presentation from DHHS Junior Jacqueline Vyce - information and collection of signatures for a petition to return paper towels to bathrooms
- DHHS bathroom paper towel dispensers have been removed and replaced with hand dryers – she presented that hand dryers are inefficient, disruptive and unhygienic, paper towels are environmentally friendly, mix of recycled materials
- 400+ signatures on the petition
- Bill shared history on this - the DHHS Environmental Club petitioned for this – they fundraised and bought the units, starting about 10 years ago. Petition was to save the paper and waste. Hand dryers saved time, money and mess (paper around the bathrooms can be a mess). During COVID, put paper towels back in all the bathrooms. Some single stall restrooms still have paper towels. Cost of the papers is significant – and there is still waste. Papers are a nicer thing to have, comes at an expense.
- It's a balance of student preference, cost, impact. In an ideal world you have both, if you have the money.

2. Polson HVAC Update

- Guest speaker Justin Kababik, Project Manager from BL Companies, firm selected for the project gave a brief update.
- Completed a mechanical and electrical survey of the school.
- Created a full model of the building with existing building systems – will provide options for 2 traditional systems, 1 geothermal option.
- Began drilling a test well today for geothermal conductivity test – will give us a sense of capacity of the ground to hold and disperse heat.
- Once we know the systems, they can determine capacity, system costs, analysis of energy savings, lifecycle cost analysis, etc.
- Report expected in January 2023 – committee will be updated at that time once decision needs to be made.

3. Other Facilities updates

- Polson - bids received and awarded for lockers, summer installation in plan
- Tennis courts out to bid 11.29.22, back 12.20.22. Design for 6 courts, including infrastructure and design for the lights. Proposals back before Christmas, committee (including Facilities committee member) will meet to make a selection and recommendation to BOS in early 2023. Goal is for work to be done over summer 2023.
- High School stage lighting – working to finalize the design and get that out to bid. Goal for work over summer.
- Brown school: Seeking a facilities committee to volunteer regarding the Brown School K-1 East Wing project. Bids are out, about 20 contractors toured the site last week. Bids are due 11/29/22 and Bill hopes to have scope meetings/interviews with contractors and a committee representative Thursday and Friday, December 1 and 2, between about 10am and 1pm, via zoom or in person. Emily is unavailable. Hope to make a recommendation to BoS Tuesday 12/6/22 if possible. Galen is available to represent the Facilities Committee.
- New School – Tecton presentation at tonight's board meeting. Madison Land Trust Property should move forward soon.
- DHHS Rooftop unit #7 failed again (for the 3rd time) - Bill is working on this, talked with Johnson Controls, they are working on it.

4. Public Comment - No public comment

Meeting adjourned 7:20pm

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