

LYME-OLD LYME SCHOOLS

Regional School District #18

A Private School Experience



in a Public School Setting

Facilities & Finance Committee Meeting

Date: March 1, 2023

Committee Members Present: Jennifer Miller, Co-Chair; Christopher Staab, Co-Chair; Mary Powell St. Louis; Steven Wilson; Phil Neaton; Alan Sheiness; Andy Russell, Tom Sherer

Administration Present: Ian Neviaser, Superintendent of Schools; Ronald Turner, Director of Facilities & Technology; Brian Howe, Assistant Director of Facilities; Holly McCalla, Business Manager; Mark Ambruso, Principal of Middle School

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Miller at 5:02pm.

II. Approval of minutes from February 1st, 2023 meeting.

MOTION: Phil Neaton made the motion for approval of the February 1st, 2023 minutes, which was seconded by Mary Powel St. Louis.

VOTE: all committee members voted in favor of the motion with exception of Phil Neaton and Jennifer Miller who abstained as they were not present at the February 1, 2023 meeting.

III. Brief Committee on Condition Middle School and Center School:

Mark Ambruso, Principal of Middle School, reported custodial and maintenance staff do a phenomenal job of keeping the school in excellent shape. The addition of entry carpets has reduced the amount of dirt getting tracked in. Additional safety cameras have decreased blind spots. The new cement floor in the outdoor classroom is well utilized. Looking forward to the HVAC renovation to reduce the influx of various temperatures around the school. Mark also shared on behalf of Noah Ventola, principal of Center School. He highlighted the exceptional work done by custodial and maintenance staff. He is also looking forward to the HVAC renovation to reduce the use of window air conditioning units.

IV. Building Committee Update:

Ian Neviaser reported the Building Committee met last on January 15th. They have scheduled interviews with the two architectural firms for March 8th and the two owner's reps for March 13th.

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V. Review Projects District-Wide:

Mr. Turner shared the only ongoing projects are the gazebo at Mile Creek and the bleacher project.

VI. Review Five-Year Facilities Plan:

The Committee reviewed the Five-Year Facilities Plan which is attached to these minutes for informational purposes only. No changes on this report since last month.

VII. Oil Spill Updates:

Ian Neviasser presented, a new LEP (Licensed Environmental Professional), Dave Turner with Turner Environmental has been hired. Additional monitoring wells and testing is ongoing. A detailed report from Dave Turner will be given at the Board of Education meeting later this evening.

VIII. Movement of Capital projects to undesignated fund

Discussion included reasons for and against the movement of these funds. More discussion and decisions will be made at the Board of Education meeting later this evening.

IX. Brief tour of facilities

Discussion concluded no need for additional tours of the facilities. Members agree to rotate the meetings to each school, allowing for a tour of each as they arrive for the meeting.

X. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:00p.m. upon a motion by Alan Sheiness which was second by Steve Wilson.