

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THE WOODSTOCK ACADEMY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
COMMITTEE
October 10, 2023



These minutes are for
informational purposes only.

PRESENT: Blackmer, Robert; Carabeau, Garry; Quinn, Eric; Sandford, Chris; Singleton, Holly; Susi, Michael; Woodland, Julie

ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION: Morse, David

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Blackmer at 6:31 p.m.

2. Community Participation – None.

3. Secretary’s Report—Minutes of September 11, 2023

MOTION: (Quinn/Carabeau) To approve the minutes of September 11, 2023.

Unanimous

4. Academy Building Restoration Project Update

Associate Head of School for Finance and Operations Susi and Head of School Sandford updated the group about a potential credit when the style of the blinds in A200 was changed. The stain color for the floors has been determined. The delivery date for the elevator continues to be pushed back—the installation will take about two weeks after delivery. Painting, technology, electric battery backup, and other finish work continues. Landscaping will have to be completed when the weather gets warmer. Unanticipated rot and repairs drove up overall project costs, but all agreed it was necessary spending. It was hoped that better financials would be available for discussion at the next meeting.

5. Solar Update

Associate Head of School for Finance and Operations Susi and Head of School Sandford said that based on the bidding process and the number of interested entities, The Academy’s earlier solar field proposal never had much chance of being selected. The Buildings and Grounds Committee was asked whether the administration should entertain a proposal where the school could be paid for a land lease when energy created from a solar array could be sold back to the grid. After discussing lease terms, equipment removal, and array size, the Committee was not interested in the current proposal. The Committee might consider other future proposals—including those involving self-generating energy.

6. Other

As the tennis court construction project moves forward on South Campus, it is possible that Dave Morse may have to recuse himself from future discussions due to his position as a member of Woodstock’s Planning and Zoning Commission. However, it is believed that a special permit will not be required since the area will continue to be used as a playing field. Once plans have been completed, they will be shared with the Committee.

7. Adjournment

MOTION: (Quinn/Carabeau) To adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Woodland

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Board Clerk

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