East Greenwich Public Schools

Facilities Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday November 1, 2024

Time: 9am

Location: EGPS Administrative Offices, 111 Peirce St, East Greenwich RI

Attendees- Maggie Baker, Dr Ricca, Domenic Guisti, Peter Carney, Robert Wilmarth, William Hangan

1. **Capital Improvement items for budgeting**.
   Reviewed capital improvement list and what we want to budget for next year. The list is highlighted with a section that is completed. Section we are working on and the remainder we have to budget and plan for.
2. **Cleaning Scores**
   Overall cleaning scores in all the schools have improved and it's a noticeable difference. Overall scores went from a 68 last year at this time to a 88 now.

EGHS	66-83	Meadowbrook	80-92
Cole	55-88	Frenchtown	81-92
Hanaford	72-88	Eldredge	62-92

   The improvements of the scores are attributed to the use of the Janitorial app which creates a sense of pride, competitiveness, and accountability. The staffing numbers are the same but we are at full capacity and do not have employees out on leave. Lastly the cleaning robots have helped take the place of 2 additional part time cleaners in that they clean the floors twice daily.
3. **Robot Updates**
   In the packet is a quote for 2 additional robots to purchase. This is for a sweeper to compliment the robot at the HS and one additional scrubber to be used at the HS or Meadowbrook. The funds will come out of a un-reimbursable fund we have to spend. The balance of that fund is 142k and these two robots come out to $80,970.
4. **HS Projects (Lighting, Boiler, Elevator Door Operator)**
   Working with National Grid to change the lights at the football field. Current lights are nearing end of warranty and this will give us a new 15 year warranty. Current lights will be reduced from 52 down to 36 with the new lights being more powerful LED lights. This is covered under an incentive and will not increase our negative cash flow but give us approximately give us a $7600 surplus yearly over 5 years.
   Similar project is being discussed with National Grid to replace the boilers at the HS. Will get similar proposal for Meadowbrook.
   We have proposal for a repair for the EGHS elevator doors. The doors need to be replaced soon and this must be budgeted. The proposal is for 2 doors because the elevator opens in two directions. Quote is $71,301 from Otis Service

5. **Lunch Tables Update**
   We have a need for new furniture in the HS cafeteria and a quote to accompany it. The quote will replace all of the lunchroom furniture and we used a split bid to get additional savings. Total cost of the quote is $150,652.68. We will pay for it with 100k in the food services budget and the remainder will come from the difference in the 142k un-reimbursable balance we mentioned in item 3 above.
6. **Security Update**
   Did not discuss and tabled
7. **Runwise National Gas Sensors**
   We have a quote to install gas detectors. This are smart detectors and can be monitored remotely. They will cover the science labs, kitchens, boilers and will reduce the gas leak interruptions we currently get as a district. Annual cost is about 10k and will have to be added to budget.
8. **Lunchroom Service Line**
   During a discussion with Aramark we uncovered there was a bad traffic flow of students when getting lunch. We talked about the flow and how it should be set up. Information has been forwarded to Dr. Page
9. Fleet Leasing Agreement
   The town has joined a leasing agreement for its vehicles and we are being asked to join as well. Reviewed the packet and discussed the pros and cons.