

GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE, ROOM 11/HYBRID

Members Present: Dean Antipas, Jay Weitlauf (remote), Jennifer White

Also Present: Susan Austin, Ray Engle, Sam Kilpatrick, Beverly Washington

Chairman Antipas called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Review March 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes - The meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.
2. Director of Finance Report - Mr. Engle reviewed the latest financial report with the committee. He stated that we have a \$1.5 million balance.
3. Director of Buildings & Grounds Report
 - Mr. Kilpatrick and Mr. Engle have been working on the ED049 for the CB roof project. Mr. Kilpatrick is working towards the goal of getting the project done this summer.
 - As a follow-up to the committee's previous EV charging stations discussion, Mr. Kilpatrick is waiting on a response from the State on how to register the charging stations.
 - Mr. Kilpatrick received new estimates from the architectural firm of Silver Petrucelli regarding the FHS and CB HVAC projects. FHS was originally estimated at \$5,054,000 and is now \$6,082,000; CB was originally estimated at \$2,318,000 and is now \$3,190,000. He believes the increases are due to the Contingencies, Hazardous Materials Testing, and Commissioning Agent amounts that were not included in the original estimates. He believes the new estimates are still good numbers based on his experience with past roofing projects. The next step is to give the estimates to Town Manager John Burt.
 - Mr. Kilpatrick will be meeting with the principals on April 8 to discuss Tools for Schools. The State mandates the checking of equipment in the schools in order to qualify for HVAC reimbursement.
 - No trespassing signs were installed at CK & NEA.
 - The Ed Harvey Baseball Field sign is coming in next week on Monday. The dedication will take place on April 24.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.