The Facilities Subcommittee met on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, in a Virtual Zoom Meeting. Present were Jennifer Cullum, Andre King, Sara Ahern, Doug Boulanger, Katri Mullaly, Jennifer Hingston, and Jen Kruczek.

Ms. Cullum called the meeting to order at 4:34PM.

Approve Meeting Minutes

- Motion by Mr. King, seconded by Dr. Ahern, and the Committee voted, unanimously, to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2026.

Facility and Field Rental Fees Recommendation

- Dr. Ahern had a conversation with Chris Gonella in Recreation. Their fee schedule was recently approved. She shared the School's proposed fee structure with him. Recreation was looking to simplify their fee structure. They had eight categories and they went down to two: resident or non-profit and then all others.
- Ms. Cullum asked how that affected the bottom line.
- Dr. Ahern stated they did not discuss that aspect. Recreation was getting bogged down with the criteria. The School Department's bottom line will be a 40% reduction or a loss of $30,000 for FY'26 if they had the new category.
- Ms. Cullum asked where we were going to make up the money.
- Mr. King asked if the reduction was from all the rentals or specifically from the local non-profits. Ms. Hingston stated it was from the local non-profits. Facilities revenue has been $129,000 and 40% is rented out to local non-profits.
- Mr. King stated this money is going in the pockets of our residents.
- Ms. Mullaly stated CC Flag Football is eager to get on the field. 70% are Barnstable residents. She asked what the criteria for the reduced rate are.
- Dr. Ahern stated the fees from rentals go into a revolving account. It pays for Ms. Hingston's salary and the Project Manager's salary. Any additional money goes back into the facility maintenance. For example, goals were damaged and they used this money to replace the damaged goals.
- Ms. Cullum stated they need to see what they have in the account, the salaries that come from the account, and what is drawn from the account. Dr. Ahern stated Mr. Dwelley could provide that information.
- Ms. Cullum asked what percentage of Barnstable residents is considered a Barnstable team. She is good with 51%.
- Mr. King stated he is fine with 51%.
- Motion by Mr. King, seconded by Dr. Ahern, and the Subcommittee voted to establish that 51% of an organization needs to be Barnstable residents to qualify for local non-profit status.
- Dr. Ahern stated there will be a first read on fees next week. They will include the alternative structure with criteria and grid and a financial spreadsheet Mr. Dwelley will put together.
- Ms. Cullum would like the Subcommittee to be firm and not unprepared in front of the School Committee.

Review the MSBA State Survey Results

- Dr. Ahern spoke about the building condition rating and a general environment rating from the MSBA state survey. BCIS and Centerville received a 3, which is a low rating.
- Ms. Cullum asked if having a rating of 3 makes Barnstable positioned better for getting a new school. Dr. Ahern thought so. The MSBA is looking at these scores and sees the 3s and 4s.
- Mr. King stated Centerville is a 3 and Hywest is a 2. He asked if Hywest would be seen as the same as BCIS given they were built around the same time. Mr. Boulanger stated there were more projects done at HyWest than Centerville and therefore HyWest has a higher rating than Centerville.
- Dr. Ahern pointed out the sites' condition. Centerville is so tight and small. HyWest has more room and it is nice and flat.

Update on the FY'27 Capital Requests

- Dr. Ahern stated some projects did not make it through the Town process. Two projects were removed: the BHS locker rooms (they felt $300,000 was not going to be enough) and masonry repairs for $350,000 (design and construction is a big number). They are looking for the design first and then get the estimate for the construction costs. They recently had an HVAC project at BUES to be funded at $10 million only to have the estimate come back at

$18 million. This might be a good MSBA project for the next cycle. The pipe wrapping project at BUES is an interim measure. There are school savings requests coming at the March 18 School Committee meeting. One project is for the BPS door and hardware phase 2. The other is an emergency project: HyWest heat conversion. She will be asking for $400,000 from savings for design and then go to the Town for an off-cycle appropriation. They need the construction cost from a designer.

Next Steps

- Ms. Cullum stated at the next meeting they will discuss and finalize fees for the facilities and fields and review the financial aspects.
- Mr. King would like to hear MSBA updates. D-Y was approved for building a new elementary school.
- Ms. Cullum would like an update on grants available with Mr. Boulanger's meeting this week.
- The next meeting will be on April 13 at 4:30pm.

Motion by Mr. King, seconded by Dr. Ahern, and the Subcommittee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:33PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Kruczek
Executive Assistant