

Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2016

Room 200 – Tredyffrin/Easttown Administration Office

5:00 p.m.

Attending all or part of the meeting:

Board Committee Members:	Virginia Lastner, Chair, Michele Burger, Todd Kantorczyk, Edward Sweeney
Other Board Members:	Douglas Carlson, Roberta Hotinski, Kate Murphy, Kevin Buraks
T/E School District Representatives:	Art McDonnell, Colm Kelly, David Francella, Dr. Wendy Towle, Dr. Michael Szymendera, Mark Cataldi
Other:	Tom Daley from Daley & Jalboot and Ken Roos, District Solicitor
Community Members:	Douglas Anestad, Cindy Verguldi, Jerry Henige, Paul Oreal, Theodore S. Horvath, Christine Wright, Cinda Marturano, Peg Layden, Neal Colligan, Bruce Alperin, Michael Luskin

Public Comment:

- Cindy Verguldi commented on the infrastructure report.
- Douglas Anestad commented on safety statistics.

Approval of the Minutes:

- The Committee approved the minutes from the February 18, 2016 meeting.

Construction Report:

- Mr. Daley updated the Committee on the New Eagle Classroom Addition/Renovation Project. The classroom portion is complete and the new parking area will be completed during the break.
- Mr. Daley updated the Committee on the Maintenance Building Project with work resuming after the recent inclement weather. The completion date is still targeted for the summer of 2016.
- Mr. Daley presented a change order of \$24,643.03 for the New Eagle Classroom Addition/Renovation Project. The Committee accepted the change order and recommended it be submitted to the full Board for approval.

Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at Tredyffrin-Easttown Middle School Bid Results:

- Mr. Daley reviewed the bid results for the Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at Tredyffrin-Easttown Middle School which came in about \$687,000 under the construction estimate. The Facilities Committee approved the Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at Tredyffrin-Easttown Middle School bids as presented and directed it be placed on the consent agenda at the next Board meeting.

Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at NEES and VFES Bid Results:

- Mr. Daley reviewed the bid results for the Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at NEES and VFES which came in about \$291,000 under the construction estimate. The Facilities Committee approved the Renovations, Replacements and Upgrades at NEES and VFES bids as presented and directed it be placed on the consent agenda at the next Board meeting.

VCT Floor Reconditioning & Replacements at CHS Bid Results:

- Mr. Daley reviewed the bid results for the VCT Floors Reconditioning & Replacements at CHS. The bid results review came in about \$46,000 under the construction estimate. The Facilities Committee approved the VCT Floor Reconditioning & Replacements at CHS bid as presented and directed it be placed on the consent agenda at the next Board meeting.

Parking and Traffic Study:

- Mr. Sweeney and Mrs. Burger attended the Tredyffrin Township meeting on March 16 and traffic concerns at VFMS were discussed. The Tredyffrin Police said the real traffic problem is only for a short window of time in the morning. Mrs. Burger said she saw a copy of the walking study completed about 3 years ago and she would provide this to the Committee. One of the suggestions discussed at the Township meeting was adjusting the timing of the lights on Valley Forge Road. The Township engineer was going to reach out to PennDOT, but did not think they would agree to change the timing due to the traffic and its proximity to Route 202. Dr. Gusick and Mr. McDonnell recently met with Tredyffrin Township officials and heard a similar discussion with no quick fixes.
- Mr. McDonnell presented an estimate of a Traffic Study cost from a consultant that the District has used in the past. Mrs. Burger commented that she was aware of another consultant that may want to provide a quote for a traffic study. The Committee discussed getting additional quotes through an RFP process. The Administration will work on an RFP and bring it to a future Committee meeting.

Valley Forge Middle School Fencing Project:

- Mr. Daley briefly reviewed the number of fencing options before the Committee. Mr. McDonnell gave a report on the option of a hedge or plantings to replace the chain link fence recommended by the school safety/security consultant. Mr. McDonnell spoke with Mr. Trump by phone on 3/7/16. Mr. Trump said he considered hedges at VFMS but did not recommend them since they were not consistent with Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and further reduced the natural surveillance properties of a chain link fence. The Committee along with the Board President voted 3-2 to remove the hedges as an option at VFMS.
- The Committee discussed the recommendation by the safety consultant to extend the pathway to Valley Forge Road and determined it would not be included in the VFMS fencing project. The Committee agreed to revisit pathway extension following any installation of fencing.
- Mr. Carlson directed Mr. Roos to draft a resolution to be presented to the full Board at the March 28th meeting. This resolution will state what fencing should be considered at VFMS with options for consideration.

Public Comment:

- Theodore Horvath commented on traffic at VFMS.
- Cindy Verguldi commented on the Maintenance Building project.
- Douglas Anestad commented on fencing at VFMS.
- Cinda Marturano commented on traffic at VFMS.

Future Meeting Dates:

- Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 5:00PM at the TEAO

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:47p.m.