

Minutes of the Facilities/Enrollment/Transportation Committee of the Board of Education
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Monday, June 9, 2014

Start: 6:32 pm End: 7:56 pm

In attendance were: Janet Morgan, George Bauer, Maryanne Van Aken; also, Carol Ann Brown, Charles Cosgriff, Wayne McAllister, Mike Molzon, Buddy Schmidt, community member Deb DeSorbo, BoE clerk Deb Carlton

The committee heard a status report from Mr. Molzon regarding issues with the NHS boilers. Original to the building, leakage in the fittings for the boilers was being repaired at a cost of about \$16,000 (from this year's budget). During this project, additional problems were found with the drums and these will need to be replaced for approximately \$100,000. The committee visited the boiler area so Mr. Molzon and Mr. Schmidt could show them where the problems are. Although the building project will include this area in the renovate to new process, this could be several years from now and the problem currently exists. The committee discussed this issue at length.

Ms. Morgan asked Mr. Molzon for an updated 5 year capital expense plan for the next meeting. Mr. Bauer would like to see a prioritized spreadsheet per school, too. Ms. Morgan also asked for custodial staff per square footage per school.

The committee also reviewed monthly enrollment figures, and discussed the probability of adding an additional classroom (Kindergarten) before the fall. Mr. Cosgriff was interested to know, of the 54 preschool students, how many of these are special needs students.

A transportation update was furnished by First Student. There was considerable discussion about the door-to-door service the district provides and committee members were interested in seeing consolidated routes for WMS and NHS particularly. There have also been complaints about parents carrying on lengthy conversations with bus drivers at bus stops.

Mr. McAllister reported cameras to be installed in all buses at no charge to the district.

Out of district special education bids were reviewed. It was noted that First Student entered a bid, but it was much higher than other companies.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Morgan

Janet Morgan, Chair