



**SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Facilities Committee
Central Office Meeting Room
March 16, 2011
*Minutes***

I. Called to Order 4:00pm

PRESENT: B. Miracle, C. Gunkle, B. Stelts, J. Snell, R. Andrulevich, S. Knoll

ABSENT: J. Liberati, L. Christman, T. Bergey

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF January 19, 2010

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS

Intermediate School

- Roof leaks: Leaks were discovered however the roof is under warranty, Warco roofing has resolved most of the problem areas. The manufacturer, Garland roofing has also been involved in the remediation.
- Lighting issues with Lutron: Lights are still blinking and do not work properly in all rooms. The manufacturer replaced all bulbs and many of the ballasts. Lutron may need to replace all features this summer at no cost to the district.
- Brick repair updates: Most of the work has been completed, about 20% remains, which is the epoxy or sealant.
- Camp Meeting Rd run off: We have had a horrible spring, Mr. Cozzelino calls almost daily to T. Bergey. J. Liberati has visited the residents whose homes are affected by the poor drainage. The plan was discussed with the Conservation District. Their recommendation was to improve the retentive grading and the plantings, water cannot be added to NW inlet. However this will not totally resolve all the problems. This will cost approx. \$25,000 – we would also like to direct the water to the Middle School and the IS detention basin. The township must approve the plans.
- Heaving sidewalks: Three engineers and two contractors took a look at the problem. All believe the water table rose and is causing the problem. All parties are in agreement that a French drain may remedy the situation. A test area of 100 ft is planned for this summer, cost ~\$2500.
- Tree clean-up in tree row: the contractor was lined up to cut the dead trees from the tree rows, T. Bergey walked around with him and marked the trees to come



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down. Contractor would not begin until we talked to Upper Saucon Township about a permit.

Upper Saucon Township ordinance: "At any time, a landowner may cut down any tree that, because of its condition, location or any other factor, poses an immediate threat to the public health and safety."

The township requires an arborist to examine and issue a report to determine the trees that can be cut down and replaced if larger than 6" diameter.

- Lighting of sign along Rt 378: This project will be completed in the summer – the township requires a electrical and building permit for \$1000.00, and other costs would be about \$2500.00 for materials and labor.

High School

- Auxiliary Gym & Cardio room: Since the last meeting – T. Bergey & R. Andrulevich spoke to 6 different school facility people in reference to installing the a HVAC system themselves without an engineer, all but one stated that they would not tackle that job alone, it is too complicated. An estimated cost (solicited from a HVAC Contractor) is more than \$100,000 with the involvement of an engineer. If we want this completed during the summer, we will have to start the process now by hiring an engineer. The committee discussed and agreed that we should move forward with the planning of this project.
- Tennis Courts: Sediment control application to the Conservation District (\$1340.00) and the grading plan to the township (\$2500.00) have been submitted. Plans are complete and the project is being advertised for bidders. April 11th will be the bid opening, June 1 to July 29 for work to be completed.

Middle School

- Greenhouse: The estimated cost to get the greenhouse up and running is approximately \$6000, this will include heat, ventilation and misting. The work will be completed over the summer. B. Miracle would like to see the greenhouse be introduced into the curriculum.
- Track resurfacing: Another project for this summer. The track should be resurfaced every 5 – 8 years. Cost is between \$55,000 and \$85,000, depending upon the product we use and the increased cost of oil.
- Metal shop: T. Bergey was involved in a meeting to discuss the conversion of the space to a multi-use development & technology area. This idea is in the talking stages – no concrete plans at this point.



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Demand Response

All is set up for SLSD to participate in PPL's program. The first test will be conducted in the summer. If a shut down is necessary, it will be between 12 noon to 8:00pm, with a 2 hour advanced notice. We will receive on average \$50,000 for the next 3 years to be a participant. A meeting has been scheduled for March 23rd to discuss particulars with Tech and our employees.

Safety Audit from the state

Pennsylvania came into our district to do a safety audit. Documents that we received suggested the following changes should be made to our buildings:

- Cameras - \$2000./camera (LCTI has 180 in their facility & Northampton HS has 75 cameras)
- Entrances to all buildings should be enclosed in storefront glass – with first entrance into office area, not school building (similar to the Intermediate School). Elementary entrances = \$20,000 - \$50,000, Secondary entrances, not estimated yet. We would have to get architect in to redesign entrances.

V. VISITORS' COMMENTS

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VII. OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT 5:00pm

ATTEST: Susan Knoll Secretary / Recorder