



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

**Facilities Committee
Central Office Meeting Room
March 17, 2010 4:00pm
*Minutes***

I. Called to Order 4:15pm

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

ABSENT: B. Stelts, J. Liberati, L. Christman,

OTHERS:

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF February 17, 2010

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS – none

IV. OLD BUSINESS-

- Rt. 378 signage: The signage will be installed the week of March 21st.
- Upper drive @ Middle School: Bid package is complete, J. Bartholomew is reviewing.
- Lower Milford Shed Replacement: Bid package is complete, J. Bartholomew is reviewing.
- Central Office Overhang: E. Billig will be completing in the next few weeks pending upon weather.
- Data Closets – IS: JBM estimated a cost of \$17,000 to install the air conditioning. We could possibly install ourselves for a lesser amount however if we did so, it would jeopardize our warranty. Committee was in agreement that work should be done by JBM, making it part of the project costs.
- Project Retainage: Albarell Electric has been paid in full; Penn Builders = \$177,212; JBM – plumbing = approx. \$58,000; JBM – HVAC = approx. \$190,000. Amounts remaining for JBM could be various allowances and training requirements.
- Ground Water Issues at the Intermediate School – refer to attached photographs of different areas that are having water issues.
 - *Sidewalks at IS lifted due to frost – they are level again.
 - *Drainage over main drive that is pictured at IS occurs 4 days after the rain.
 - *Residents along Campmeeting Road are experiencing water run off from the IS. Their properties are experiencing flooding issues. All owners commented that they have had similar issues in the past but not to this extent.



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Committee members discussed hiring an engineer to evaluate and assess problem. Support Services received two estimates for this service: URS - \$5,000, and Gannet-Fleming - \$38,000. The members decided to contract URS, they will

1. evaluate the cause
2. present a solution
3. determine impact on Intermediate School
4. determine contractor responsibility

In the mean time, the residents have obtained a pump from the Fire Company, and are pumping the water past the football field into our retention pond along Rt. 378. The district should be cautious in assuming responsibility for their flooding problems. We will ask J. Bartholomew or M. Winfield their thoughts on the situation.

V. NEW BUSINESS-

FOOD SERVICE

- Steamers at the High School: filters have been installed.

Transportation

- First Student's President, Linda Burtwistle, Region Operations Manager, Don Swift, and Region Vice President, Wayne Gensler were present at the meeting. The group discussed the over charge of five buses, the use of SLSD fuel in buses contracted by Moravian, and new terminal location. Moving forward, monthly invoices will be itemized and a separate "credit card" will be used to fuel Moravian buses.
- First Student Contract: Administration is still reviewing as to if an RFP has to be developed or if the contract can be renewed for 1 – 5 years (language presently in document). R. Andrulevich will begin developing a RFP until a decision is made. To demonstrate good faith to taxpayers, the transportation contract should go out to bid. Internally, the general consensus is to extend the contract however legally, we may not be able to do so.

Facilities

- Track surface: Bubbling of the track's surface is occurring. The track was installed in 2001, with a 10 year life expectancy. We have two options for repair, if we do it relatively soon, we can resurface for \$35,000 and get approx. 8 more years usage from the track. **If we wait 2 – 3 years to repair, we will have to do a complete re-do at the cost of \$200,000. We can put on the schedule for next summer.**
- Baseball shed: In order to make it worthwhile, a larger building should be constructed. Pricing that we are getting is for \$125.00/sq.ft. This is very pricey. Committee agreed that the district will wait until the shed at Lower Milford has been installed and then we will make a decision after



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that. B. Miracle suggested that we get an estimate for spraying a coat of paint onto the surface until we make a decision on the building. T. Bergey will follow up with a few phone calls to painting contractors.

- Lead Paint Requirements: E. Billig and R. Andrlevich are attending a training to become certified for the new lead paint regulations which becomes effective on April 22, 2010. The certification course is provided by a grant and is at no cost to the district. The course will detail the requirements for school districts to stay in compliance.

VI. VISITORS' COMMENTS- no visitors present

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VIII. OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT 5:45pm

ATTEST: Susan Knoll Secretary / Recorder