

**Facilities Committee Meeting**  
**Central office**  
**November 28, 2012 / 12:00pm**  
***Minutes***

I. OPENING PROCEDURES

A. Time- Call to Order 12:00

B. Attendance – J. Dimmig, J. Lindsay, B. Steltz, L. Christman, J. Melber, J. Bartholomew, T. Beil, T. Dinkerlocker, D. Harmon, T. Bergey, S. Knoll

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 26, 2012

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

**Wedgewood-Hopewell Park Presentation / Update:** Upper Saucon Township

- The township has the opportunity to purchase additional property from Mr. Karr to be used to expand the proposed park. (diagram attached)
- Committee would like to see an alternate access to the park in addition to what was presented before they approach the entire board.

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS: As time permits

**Demographic Study:** Update / Direction.

- A demographic study was recommended.
- TCA came to SLSD highly recommended in 2008, at that time the estimated cost was \$19865.00, which will remain the same for this year. TCA will come in to do a presentation if requested.
- Committee would like more investigation on various firms, providing us with examples of their final products, prices, and references. They should be familiar with rural areas and have done studies for municipalities as well as developers.
- L. Christman will check with other superintendents to get other recommendations.
- Feasibility study will be needed for proper identification of areas in the district that are in the need of repair and/or updating. Planning as a whole will be necessary to optimize the district's needs and financial stewardship.

**Middle School Chiller:** Cost Update

- Costing the district and insurance approximately \$40,000/year, they were repaired/restored this summer to 100% and now they are running at 50%. We are afraid that the AC will fail in building.
- Existing equipment is oversized, smaller unit would be adequate, estimate cost: \$950,000 - \$1,089,864.
- We need to resolve this issue, our options are 1) hire an engineering firm to create a bid for the work to be done, 2) apply for Act 129.
- Our recommendation would be to go with an Act 129 project. Facilities committee would like us to pursue Act 129.

**Hurricane Insurance Claims:**

- Middle School roof & gym floor:
  - the floor will be covered at 100% (\$104,210 - \$110,420) but we will probably add a power vent system at \$6,460 to prevent issues in the future.
  - it is uncertain as to how much the insurance will cover on the roof, estimated cost of full replacement is \$92,5000, \$45,000 for partial replacement.
  - Recommendation is to replace full roof, (taking advantage of partial pay out on claim from insurance company) it is approximately 15 years old and the Teckum deck is showing it's age.
- High School Air Recovery Unit: cost of \$3000 and is in the process of being repaired.
- Liberty Bell flashing: less than \$1000, already repaired
- Lower Milford shingles: lost about 120 shingles, already repaired

**Summer Projects under Consideration:**

- Emergency Power: during power outage, staff was unable to work (lost servers and phones), we are considering looking into supplying power to server rooms and offices – rough estimate is \$10,000 - \$40,000 / building.
- District wide carpet replacement - \$75,000 in Capitol budget for this project.

**IS Sign Replacement:** Proposed by friends of Joseph P. Liberati.

- A group of J. Liberati's friends would like to install a lighted brick sign at the entrance of the Intermediate School on Rt. 378. They are willing to donate the sign.
- Cost of sign will also include permits and engineering fee that the group may not be aware of.
- The committee feels that the donations for the sign could be better used to establish a scholarship fund for graduating students.

**Camp Meeting Runoff:**

- Project is complete and total cost was \$114,899.00

**High School HVAC:**

- Project is complete and total cost was \$277,236.00

**Specialized Transportation Review:**

- Norman's Bus Service has been our provider since the late 1990's. We are pleased with this specialized service that they provide the district (includes Special needs, non-public schools, rural/untravelable roads). Cost is approximately one million dollars (includes fuel) yearly. It recently is under new ownership. We will be seeking competitive costs for next school year.

**VI. VISITORS' COMMENTS**

VII. ADJOURNMENT : 1:30pm