



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

**Facilities Committee  
Central Office Meeting Room  
December 22, 2011  
*Minutes***

I. Called to Order 4:05pm

PRESENT: B. Stelts, J. Lindsay, L. Christman, J. Melber, T. Bergey,  
S. Knoll, P. Petty (Express Times)

ABSENT: J. Dimmig

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF October 19, 2011

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS

**Middle School – HVAC repair:** Four of the six compressors are down, this will not provide adequate cooling beyond 85 degrees. When it gets warm, humidity begins to build. If the 2 chiller units do not get repaired, moisture builds up in the unit which would warrant a complete replacement instead of repairing now. Johnson Control gave us a bid of \$63,000 to repair one of the units. Estimated replacement costs would be approximately \$115,000 for one unit. T. Bergey recommends repairing of the units. We will request that the contractor modify their warranty (based on the balance of repair vs. replacement & life expectancy). The process of bidding the project must begin in January.

**High School – HVAC / bid opening & recommendation:** The technology room and the fitness room are the only areas in the High School without cooling. These areas are now being used for instructional space which was not intended for when first built. Engineers were consulted and designed the work to be done. Bids that we received ranged from \$263,000 to \$396,000. The lowest bid was received from JBM, Barry Isett (engineers) and T. Bergey recommend that they be awarded the contract. JBM is a reputable contractor, we have had a good relationship with them through the work that was performed at the Intermediate School.

**Intermediate School: Renaming to the Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School**  
Several options that are being investigated: Adding letters to the Alucobond Compiste Panels (approx. \$45.00/sq.ft) on the face of the building, changing the signage on Rt 378, or mounting a dedication plaque. Additional pricing will be obtained and discussions will occur before any decisions are made.

**Demand Response & Energy update:** Comvege lost the contract with Costars and canceled SLSD's contract. Comverge (electrical broker) has locked in amounts for



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three years and were able to offer fixed pricing. A recommendation will be made to the Board as how we will proceed with the electrical contract. We are anticipating a one or two year contract to be established.

**Trash Bid – update:** Our present 3 year contract expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The value of the contract is approximately \$50,000.00. The bid will be advertized in March and awarded in April 2012. Alternate bids for the number of pick-ups to each school will be entertained. Another alternate will be to reduce the dollar amount of the bid by giving the district credit for compost removal from a separate vendor.

**Transportation RFP:** There was a mandatory pre-proposal meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Ten vendors attended the meeting. Three addendums were sent out to vendors addressing various questions. The proposals will be opened on January 5<sup>th</sup>, verifying that all mandatory documents have been received. The evaluation process will begin, examining contract cost, level of service, references, company experience, personnel qualities and experience, terminal location, safety ratings and proposal quality. The Intent to Award letter will be determined on or about February 6, 2012.

**Penn Builders – change orders:** Penn Builders is being audited for timely closeout with the CampMeeting runoff remediation. Two change orders will be closed out, (1) \$5054.00 IS control joints in classroom wing, and (2) \$3695.65 Engineering for CampMeeting before heightened requirements. Both have been discussed with Board previously. These items will be included on the next agenda for the Board meeting on January 9, 2012.

**Other work in progress:**

- Campmeeting Road run-off : staging of area has begun, final work will be completed in February or March, depending upon the weather.
- Tennis Courts: Final coat and grading will be completed in March when the temperature rises above 40 degrees.
- Water heater @ Hopewell Elementary & greenhouse @ Middle School: we have received the engineering reports and permits are now in progress.

V. VISITORS' COMMENTS

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VI. OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

5:00pm

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Susan Knoll \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary / Recorder