

9/8/16

AVS Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes

Appleton Village School Teacher's Room

Present: Keith Rose, Heather Wyman, Debby Keiran, Susan Stilwell, Dianne Helprin

Also present: Jason Gushee, John Fenner, and Claire Adams

This meeting was originally scheduled for 5:00 p.m., but was changed to 2:00 p.m.

The minutes from the 6/21/16 meeting were approved as amended.

The agenda was adjusted to add Financing.

There was no action between meetings.

Heather gave an overview of the project status. She read what written for today's addition of Notes Home:

Update on School Renovations

While students and teachers were enjoying their summer vacations, contractors and sub-contractors were working hard to complete the renovation project approved by voters in March. Although much of the work can be seen in the freshly painted wood trim, new concrete entry pads and fresh pavement on the playground and walkways, the bulk of the completed work is invisible. Hidden away in the ceilings and walls are brand new ERVs (Energy Recovery Ventilators) and ductwork that will bring fresh air to all the classrooms, and the new DDC (Direct Digital Control) heating control system that replaced an aging pneumatic system. Now, the school can monitor the temperature and carbon dioxide levels in all the classrooms in real time and can adjust heating and airflow as needed from a school computer! Other upgrades include a brand new fire alarm system, energy efficient LED lighting installed by volunteers Keith and Jeff Rose, and electrical improvements.

During the construction process, a few unforeseen conditions were revealed that required additional work. Many of the balancing valves on the heating system's hydronic piping were corroded, and all were replaced with brand new valves. While working on the roof, contractors discovered that in many places, the roof insulation has been compromised by water damage. The most pressing repairs will be completed next week, and the front of the building will be roped off to ensure student safety. The facilities committee will be meeting to discuss and recommend next steps regarding the condition of the roof as a whole.

The amount of work completed in a short amount of time this summer is substantial and has substantially improved the learning environment for students and teachers, as well as the building's energy efficiency. Many thanks go to the superintendent, principal, and custodial staff, as well as community volunteers who worked hard this summer to ensure the successful completion of this renovation project. AVS is now a much healthier and safer place to learn!

Questions for Cordjia:

1. What is the status of the paving dispute? Did SW Cole assess the condition of the paving? The committee feels that the paving on the walkways is sub par and is asking for it to be repaved. Bowman Constructors is following up with Wellman (the paving contractor) who is not in agreement that it needs to be done.
2. What is the status of the missing door closer for the door leaving the gym and heading up the stairs towards the library? The door was not counted when Allied Engineering designed the plan for the fire safety upgrades. Discussion on what is the best way to get this finished. Committee will continue to look into this.

Discussed the issues with the roof. The roof was not part of the scope of the project but upon cutting into it for the vents it was found to have several places that needed to be fixed. 2x2 and 15x15 sections have already been repaired. A 30x40 section is being repaired starting on Monday.

Financial issues were discussed. The Bond Anticipation Note was written for \$573,000 and the total cost of phase one has gone over this amount. The exact amount over is estimated to be \$34,914.31. The committee needs to get a more detailed spreadsheet of the budget and the expenses applied to date. Heather will ask Cordjia for this. John Fenner says the select board will vote on Tuesday night to write a new bond resolution to replace the current resolution. This will allow the school board to take possession of the full \$650,000 that was voted upon at the special town meeting. The money not needed for phase one will be put into an account to be spent on phase two of the project.

Dianne Helprin will complete the application for a Revolving Renovations Fund Grant. This opportunity was not available when the phase one project was undertaken and cannot be awarded retroactively. The application will be written to include the cost of replacing the roof and a new boiler. It is unlikely that the boiler will be covered but it is better to put the total scope of the project in the application. Keith will help Dianne with the application.

Next meeting: TBD

Minutes taken by Debby Keiran