Torrington Public Schools

Facilities & Technology Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 13, 2021, 6:00 P.M.
355 Migeon Ave.

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 6:00 P.M.
2. Roll Call: Mr. Eucalitto, Ms. Fappiano, Mr. Maniccia, Ms. Mangan (Teacher Representative)
   Absent: Mr. Corey
   Also Present: Ms. Cappabianca, Mr. Kissko, Ms. Hoehne, Ms. Richardson (Remote),
   Ms. Lubomski, Ms. Ferguson, Ms. Herold, Ms. Boisvert, Mr. Barlow, Ms. DePretis (6:58 P.M.)
3. Approval of Agenda: Ms. Fappiano made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Mr. Maniccia. All in favor.
4. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Maniccia made a motion to amend the minutes removing Ms. DePretis off the absent list, because she is not on the committee, second by Ms. Fappiano. All in favor.
5. Public Participation: None.
6. Discussion/Next Steps:
   a. Facilities Update
      i. Window Project Timeline – Mr. Barlow reviewed the timeline with the committee. The windows will be installed this summer 2022.
      ii. Elevator Inspection Results – Mr. Barlow reviewed the total elevator maintenance costs for each school:
          -TMS $6,300
          -Southwest $4,237
          -Torringford $3,272
          -East $6,378
          Each company who serviced these elevators provided these quotes. The state inspector cited these issues.
iii TMS Roof Comparison – Mr. Barlow presented the roof comparison:
Asphalt Replacement – the current roof system does not use a substrate
for panel attachment. Major engineering would be needed to address
roofing material load and windshear issues. Engineering costs could
exceed $280,000. Budget estimated $4.4 million with a 25-35 year
warranty but many start having material breakdown issues at 15-20
years.

Metal Restoration/Replacement of Middle School – would address
fastener issues by replacing all fasteners in the existing roof (source of
leaks.) Reseal all valleys with Urethane sela and reinforcing fabric and
correct flashing issue causing leaks. Estimated engineering costs would
be $80,000. Budget estimated cost is $1.2 to $1.5 million with a 20-
year warranty.

Cost for Asphalt would be $4,400,000 with a 25-year warranty.
Cost for Metal Restoration would be $1,200,000-1,500,000 with a
20-year warranty.
Cost for Metal Recover would be $20,800,000-3,800,000 with a 50-
year warranty.

The city still must approve this project and the November 2nd
referendum must pass. Once the committee decides, Mr. Barlow will
submit bonding paperwork. The next step will be Mr. Barlow meeting
with a colleague to gather more information on the metal restoration
roof that district just completed.

iv Elementary Dismissal Traffic – Parent pickups are causing traffic
issues that are very dangerous. To fix the traffic issue for Torringford,
it would cost $35,000-40,000. The committee discussed the pros and
cons of the “traffic fix.” They presented a diagram of the proposal.

b. Technology Update
   i Account Automation Update – The system automatically onboards and
      offboards staff and students, and it works extremely well.
   ii Device PD – We are getting iPads tomorrow. Ms. Herold will put
together a November PD day for iPads for K-1 staff.
   iii Device Security – We are encrypting our devices. Essentially, when it
      is locked, it will be impossible to get any data off the device.
   iv Erate WAN Update – We are replacing the entire infrastructure that
      connects our entire building. Ms. Herold stated that this project should
      be complete before Thanksgiving.

7. Topics for Future Meetings:
   a. Place the Technology Update First (Mr. Barlow’s suggestion)
   b. Roof Discussion
8. Comments for the Good of the Order: (Paraphrased)
   Armand - “Thank you everyone, a lot of good information.”
   Sue L. - “Thank you to John and Ally; both have been working very hard.”
   Ali - “I got a Windows project, Microsoft released Windows 11, so we have to make sure we can support this.”
   Sandy - “Great news that the iPads are arriving tomorrow, Ally.”

9. Adjournment: Mr. Maniccia made a motion to adjourn, second by Ms. Fappiano. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 P.M.