

Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 2:00 PM
Zoom

Present: Chair – Michael Watts, Roxanne Ackerman, Kimberly Kirk*, Skipper Manter, Kris O'Brien
Others/Staff: Coordinator of Pathways and Special Projects – Samuel Hart, Finance Director – Suzanne Cioffi, Facilities Director – Mike Taus
Supt.'s Office: Superintendent – Richard M. Smith, Ed.D., School Business Administrator – Mark Friedman
Towns/County: Oak Bluffs – Maura McGroarty, West Tisbury – Clark Rattet
Recorder: Teresa Kruszewski **Late arrivals or early departures of Sub-Committee Members (see * in text)*

**Kimberly Kirk arrived at 2:11 PM and left at 3:32 PM.*

Call to Order: (Agenda Item #I)

The meeting of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School (MVRHS) Facilities Sub-Committee was called to order by Chair Michael Watts at 2:05 PM on November 1, 2022. Participation was available remotely by Zoom. To preserve bandwidth, it was suggested that participants join via the Zoom audio and reserve video links for Committee members and administration. In order to facilitate the technology, the meeting was recorded. *(Recorder's Note: Discussions are summarized and grouped for clarity and brevity).*

Approval of Minutes (Agenda Item #II): Tabled.

Facilities Update: (Agenda Item #III)

- i. Roof**
- ii. Fields**

Mike Taus said Homecoming was last Saturday, overall nine games were played. The fields held up throughout the weekend and the recovery was going well. The soccer practice field that turned into the Junior Varsity game field was in pretty bad shape. There were more football and soccer games to be played over the next few weeks.

iii. Boiler

Boiler maintenance was underway and would be completed before turning any on/firing them up.

iv. Staffing

v. Eversource/Brissette Electric

A representative from Eversource visited the campus on Saturday and did a preliminary survey for power deployments; he didn't see any issues. He would report back to Mr. Taus with his findings shortly, once his calculations and so forth were completed.

FY24: (Agenda Item #IV)

Suzanne Cioffi reviewed the highlights as she screen-shared the FY24 Capital Improvement Projects 10.26.2022 spreadsheet:

- ❖ A storage POD to use as an outdoor shed: \$8,000.00
- ❖ Doors 8 & 11 and Frames: \$20,000.00
- ❖ HVAC/Performing Arts Center (PAC) compressor and air handling (rooftop): \$700,000.00

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❖ Buses and Vehicles: \$384,505 (included the annual lease payments)

Overall increase for FY24 was: \$1,112, 505.00

Lengthy discussion ensued over how to manage the corrective and preventative maintenance and how it related to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) process including the feasibility study; Members did not want to defer maintenance and recommended using Town Warrant Articles in support of these efforts.

Items removed from FY24:

- CTE Roof Replacement: \$410,000.00
- Boiler Replacement: \$65,000.00
- HVAC Replacement System: 6.432M
- Windows: \$50,000.00

Floor Tiling: \$233,000 would be bumped to FY25, FY26 & FY27

Members asked Mr. Taus to review the list [above] and present what absolutely needed to be done and the associated costs; all were in agreement that if these were not health and safety related issues, they could be postponed.

Superintendent Richard M. Smith cautioned Members of removing items that traditionally resided in the operational budget (which was frowned upon as advised by our attorney and the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) process). He said all areas must be reviewed to reduce spending, to be pulled back across the board to meet the 2.5% overall budget.

Mark Friedman said legal counsel emphasized that under Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) regulations, the clear power of Regional School Committees in terms of their budgets, was that budget requests should be presented as a single warrant article; it was less clear for capital warrant articles; more research needed to be done.

Mr. Friedman recommended including THA, the High School District's Owner's Project Manager (OPM) firm (that was on call) to advise the steps toward PAC/HVAC project.

Site Plan Review: (Agenda Item #V)

Chair Watts screen shared the Sanderson Road Plan for review. He said the big questions were around the power needs and the (re)locations of the bus lots and asked for feedback on how to fit this plan into the larger MSBA project plan. Through discussion, it was determined that within 12 months (2025) funding would need to be committed, including new electric vehicle purchases.

Samuel Hart said he looked forward to the discussion of relocating the bus lot and other options for this site. All were in agreement to discuss the plan/s in more detail as a future agenda item.

Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair: (Agenda Item #VI) None.

Adjournment: (Agenda Item #VII)

*SKIPPER MANTER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE FACILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
AT 3:34 PM; ROXANNE ACKERMAN SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*

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*4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS. MS. ACKERMAN—AYE, MR. MANTER—AYE,
MS, O'BRIEN—AYE & MR. WATTS—AYE.*

Meetings/Events:

- Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting Thursday, November 10, 2022 Zoom at 5:30PM

Documents on File:

- Agenda Facilities Sub Committee 11.1.22.pdf
- DRAFT Minutes Facilities Sub-Committee October 12, 2022.pdf

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Kruszewski – Recorder

December 15, 2022

Date

Michael Watts – Facilities Chair

Date

Richard M. Smith, Ed.D. – MVRHSD Superintendent

Date

APPROVED DECEMBER 15, 2022