

BUDGET / FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Mt. Hope High School

Cafeteria

Present

Subcommittee: Marjie McBride, Chair; and William O'Dell

School Committee, Administration and Staff: John Saviano, Erin Schofield, Paul Silva, Lynn Wainwright (6:45 p.m.), Mario Andrade, Superintendent; Diane Sanna, Assistant Superintendent; Pauline Silva, Director of Administration & Finance, and George Simmons

Absent: John Bento

Marjie M. called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM.

FACILITIES FOCUS

Hugh Cole Sunshade

Due to preschool certification mandates, as outlined by the Early

Childhood Environment Rating Scale (ECERS), a sunshade will be required for the grassy area used by the pre-K children at Hugh Cole School.

George S. stated that Childscapes will be supplying the sunshade. Childscapes final price includes all aspects of the project.

George S. commented that proper permits have been secured and the building inspector will be notified.

ACTION ITEMS:

Rockwell Playground Bid

Marj M. commented that John S. and John B. were notified by the Rockwell PTO regarding the poor conditions of the existing Rockwell playground surface. The playground surface had degraded over time, making it unsuitable for children. Marj M. stated that a determination was made to replace the old Rockwell Playground surface.

Mario A. further clarified that the School Department is responsible for maintaining the school facilities, including playgrounds. Maintenance does not fall under the jurisdiction of the PTO's. He added that the Rockwell Playground resurfacing project is more about maintenance, not about enhancement.

A brief discussion took place regarding the Rockwell Playground bid submissions.

MOTION: Bill O. made a motion to approve the Rockwell Playground Bid for recommendation to the full School Committee; seconded by Marj M. The motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Small Truck Bid

Next meeting – Monday, August 17, 2015

Adjournment:

MOTION: At 6:45 p.m. Marj M. made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Bill O. seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

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