

East Granby Board of Education
Facilities Subcommittee Minutes for
August 28, 2024

Board Members Present:

Ricky Bortz (4:12pm virtual)
Mark Andrews (virtual)

Others Present:

Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Ray Carlson, Facilities Supervisor (left 5:00pm)

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The facilities subcommittee meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Field Irrigation

Mr. Bortz provided information/quotes from Anderson Turf and Green Machine.

Discussion was held regarding treating the fields for disease control, aerate and seed to be maintained annually. The BoE will need to decide to put this in operating for field maintenance or request a shared cost from the town. There is a quote from one company, True Green, for approximately \$30,000 annually for this work.

**III. HVAC Update Middle School/High School
WORK COMPLETE**

- The large rooftop components that service most of the building have been replaced. Entire main floor of MS/HS - fresh air cycles in and old air cycles out.
- Downstairs health classrooms and weight room - Both health rooms and the weight room have cooling and heating units in the duct work. Two units have been replaced, bringing in fresh air and exhausting old air. The air is tempered (cooled).

WORK IN PROGRESS (much of the work is complete but it is not all tied in yet):

- control valves being changed and updated on each unit
- new sensors measure Carbon dioxide to determine how much air to bring in or to take out
- new Actuators to regulate the dampers
- building control system being upgraded

All this will allow setpoints to be adjusted for each classroom and allow for more diversity of temperatures between areas.

WORK TO COMPLETE

- cabinet units in MS commons and Art room will be replaced for heating and cooling
- lower HS science and business rooms will have cabinet units replaced for heating and cooling
- Curriculum/PD Office - there will be a new roof unit with a split in the office for heating and cooling. Waiting for products.

IV. Capital Requests – 5 Year Plan

The committee reviewed the current 5 Year Capital Expenditure Plan, as well as requests from administrators, facilities, and the technology department. Superintendent Bavaro-Grande will make the adjustments to the plan and share with

committee members for feedback prior to presenting at the BoE meeting for approval. The plan needs to be approved by the BoE and ready for the 10/15/2024 BoF meeting. The BoF is requesting a preliminary summary of capital requests for their 9/17/2024 meeting.

Recommendations:

- move to proceed with Green Machine for irrigation of the baseball, softball, and upper soccer field not to exceed \$125,000. (approved capital funding)
- move to repair the damaged and homeroom fence area of the baseball and softball fields, not to exceed \$25,000. (approved capital funding)
- move to obtain a quote to clear the perimeter (approximately 8 feet) around fields, making it more accessible for a mower to maintain that area. (non lapsing funding)

V. Future Agenda Item

Use of Facilities, including fields

VI. Adjournment

The subcommittee meeting was adjourned 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande
Acting Board Secretary