

East Lyme Board of Education
East Lyme Elementary Schools Design Steering Committee Meeting
December 29, 2016
1:00 p.m.

East Lyme Public Schools will inspire, engage and educate each student to become a contributing citizen and a responsible, independent, and critical thinker.

MINUTES

Members Present: Dr. Tim Hagen, Mr. Jeffrey Newton, Eric Bauman, Linda Johansen, Selectman Mark Nickerson Lisa Picarazzi, Jeffrey Provost, Dr. John Whritner

Members Absent: Linda Anania, John Arnold, Melissa DeLoreto, Bill Derry, Gil Gallant, Ray O'Connor, John Rhodes, Marc Salerno, Maria Whalen

Others Present: Al Jacunski (Jacunski Humes Architects), Ken Biega (O&G Construction), Ted Hunt (Facilities Supervisor)

Cost Estimates Update

- Ken Biega reviewed the updated cost estimates for Niantic Center School, Flanders School and Lillie B. Haynes School. The revamped contingency for the projects is now just under 20% (approximately \$1.7 million).
- The Niantic Center School office/bathroom switch and redesign was discussed. The committee questioned the current amount proposed for the bathrooms, as dollars do not seem to be present for the construction of the new office area. Ken Biega will research this.
- The Lillie B. Haynes School old locker room space was discussed as dollars did not seem to be present for this conversion into usable classroom space. The committee questioned whether the dollars for the locker room conversion were present within the allocation of funding for the second gym conversion.
- The Committee members began a brief discussion on how the construction phasing would take place, how long it will take, and how students and staff would be impacted. Ken Biega and Al Jacunski (with administrative input) will begin to construct a phasing plan.
- The timeline of redistricting could possibly be impacted by any construction phasing plan.
- After further discussion regarding dollars slated for electrical improvements, there will be an increase in the allocation for Flanders School and Niantic Center School. There is already an increase present for Lillie B. Haynes School.
- Currently there is a \$750K allocation for security cameras. The committee discussed this amount allocated for security cameras and requested that the \$750K be broken out into details for further review.
- Discussion took place regarding phones and PA systems being inoperable during power outages. The committee requested a cost estimate for a backup power supply for school phones and PA systems across the three elementary schools.
- The existing generator at Lillie B. Haynes School was discussed. This generator has been present for many years but is inoperable. Ted Hunt reported that it is not in working condition and not worth fixing at this juncture.
- The project timeline was reviewed by the committee and some adjustments were made to proposed dates for meetings and public presentations.
- Jeff Newton and Tim Hagen will make revisions to the timeline and distribute it to the committee for review.

Respectfully submitted,

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