

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 17, 2009**

A meeting of the Board of Education Facilities Committee was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009, at the East Hartford Board of Education Administration Offices, 1110 Main Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Chairman Robert Damaschi

PRESENT Robert Damaschi, Chairman, Facilities Committee
Anita Morrison, Facilities Committee Member & BOE Member
Karen Howe, Facilities Committee Member & BOE Member

ALSO PRESENT Al Costa, Director of Facilities

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Anita Morrison
Seconded by Robert Damaschi
To approve the following Minutes:
Meeting of February 17, 2009, as corrected:
Karen Howe absent due to illness
Motion unanimously carried.

Review Capital Improvement Plan

Mr. Costa noted he is a few weeks behind schedule with submitting the Capital Improvement Plan. Total Project Cost is \$34 million and is \$19 million reimbursable from the State. Also mentioned was the reimbursement rate has increased to 75 percent (up from 71 percent). All items listed in the Plan are listed in order of priority. Comments on some of the priority areas are highlighted below:

Regarding O'Connell and Goodwin roofs, Mr. Costa stated the actual bid will go out in mid-April. Hopefully, construction will begin June 30th. We will be going to Town Hall to submit necessary applications and submit to Planning & Zoning meeting on April 8th. We will then come back to Facilities and PBC the early part of April for final approvals.

Regarding boiler replacements – specifications will need to be drawn up. EHHS goes out to bid the end of April.

Regarding Middle School Exterior Painting – Mr. Costa noted it may be several years before funding is in place to replace the entire window wall system.

Regarding repaving various schools, Mr. Costa noted he is concerned with the increase in numbers of schools in need of repaving.

Regarding both the EHHS and EHMS pools, Mr. Costa is proposing to dig up and redirect piping and replace with stainless steel piping.

Mr. Costa stated all projects listed in the Capital Improvement Plan will cost \$34.4 million; after reimbursement, our cost would be \$16 million.

MOTION By Karen Howe
 Seconded by Anita Morrison
 To approve the Capital Improvement Plan and forward to the full Board for its approval.
 Motion unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Costa provided information on the status of the track. He suggested we can try to spot repair in the Spring and go out to bid in April

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion took place regarding the possible closing of schools at 6:30 P.M. and its impact on the community at large.

MOTION By Anita Morrison
 Seconded by Karen Howe
 To adjourn the Facilities Committee meeting (6:15 P.M.)
 Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by:
Donna Fitzgerald