

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Thursday,
December 3, 2009**

A meeting of the Board of Education Facilities Committee was held on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at the Central Office Building, 1110 Main Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Chairman Bryan Hall.

PRESENT Bryan Hall, Chairman, Facilities Committee
Anita Morrison, Facilities Committee Member
Jeffrey Currey, Facilities Committee Member
Robert Damaschi, Member, BOE
Marcus Oladell, IV, Member, BOE
Ram Aberasturia, Member, BOE
Mary Alice Dwyer-Hughes, Chairperson BOE

ALSO PRESENT Al Costa, Director of Facilities

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Jeffrey Currey
Seconded by Anita Morrison
To approve the following Minutes:
Meeting of November 23, 2009
Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

**FINANCIAL RECONCILIATION OF STATE PROJECT #043-0226BE/PF, CENTRAL
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PROJECT AND TOLLAND STREET FACILITY ACQUISITION**

Mr. Costa reviewed background information on this project, noting that the grant application would allow the Town a reimbursement of 34% of eligible construction costs. The original cost of the project was \$6.6 million. To date, the Town has received \$2.49 million in reimbursement. With the requested final acceptance of this project, the Town will receive an additional \$113,208 in reimbursement.

Mr. Costa noted we encountered several delays in the project due, in part, to going back to the State for approval of \$8.3 million, rather than the original cost of \$6.6 million for the project. Mike Walsh was very helpful in providing assistance in discussions with the State.

With the close out of these projects this evening, we will now be able to submit the EDO49F to the State and receive the additional reimbursement of \$113,208.

MOTION By Anita Morrison
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey
To accept as completed State Project #043-0226BE/PF, Central Administration Building Project and Tolland Street Facility Addition and forward to the full Board at its December 21, 2009 meeting for approval.
Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Morrison asked the status of the O'Connell and Goodwin schools roof replacement project. Mr. Costa stated recommendations will be forwarded to the Committee in January.

Regarding traffic issue on Forbes Street, Chairman Hall stated several Board members and the Superintendent were at the site and saw the problem first-hand. A resolution to the problem is being addressed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Costa attended the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) conference today. It was an update on the renewables for energy projects. There was a great deal of information which Mr. Costa stated he will provide a written report to the Committee. At the conference, Mr. Costa had the opportunity to ask the presenters to consider lobbying the Legislature to amend the current delay when applying for Energy Conservation Grants under the State School Construction formula. Currently, with the exception of code project and roof replacements the LEA must submit an energy project under the Priority Grant List which is approved by the Legislature. He explained this delays a project by a full year before you can even begin planning and design. The members of the CCEF looked favorably to the recommendation.

MOTION

By Anita Morrison

Seconded by Jeffrey Currey

To adjourn the Facilities Committee meeting (5:55 P.M.)

Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by:

Donna Fitzgerald