

Merrill Area Public Schools

MAPS Mission Statement: *Merrill Area Public Schools, in partnership with the Merrill Community and our families, will empower students to be lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and productive community members.*

Facilities Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

3:30 PM

Meeting Conducted Remotely

*If a member of the public wants to participate in this meeting virtually, please contact Dale Bergman at dale.bergman@mapsedu.org

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Roll Call –

Kevin Blake called the meeting to order at 3:33pm.

Present: Nubs Ashbeck, Dale Bergman, Kevin Blake, Brian Dasher, Darryl Frick, Dr. John Sample and Linda Yingling

Guests: Ron Liberty, Ryan Martinovici and Steve Holz

II. [Approval of March 4, 2020 Facilities Committee Minutes](#)

MOTION by Nubs Ashbeck to approve the March 4, 2020 Facilities Committee Minutes, second by Linda Yingling. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Playground Equipment Updates

Dale Bergman provided the Committee with a status report; as well as, an overview of the options that are available to the District and advises waiting another year before making additional updates. The inspections are complete and several swings will be replaced.

IV. [Proposed Summer Projects](#)

Dale Bergman provided the Committee with a list of the Proposed Summer Projects to be Board-approved as funding becomes available.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the list to include: history behind the need, possible funding options as well as possible long-term strategies for several projects.

MOTION by Linda Yingling to recommend the Proposed Summer Projects as funding allows to the full Board for approval, second by Nubs Ashbeck. Motion carried unanimously.

V. High School Parking - Add a Pathway from the Auditorium to the Parking Lot

Dale Bergman presented information that came out of the Safe Routes to School Committee; as well as, through community member concerns. There is currently a pathway in place, however it has not received consistent attention in the winter. Moving forward, the goal is to keep the current access point clear. The District does not need to add another pathway at this time.

VI. Asphalt Repairs

A. Washington School

Dale Bergman provided an overview of current status of the Washington asphalt to include possible outcomes if not repaired along with steps that can be taken now to increase the amount of time before a repair has to happen.

The committee discussed potential safety concerns as well as the option to patch damaged areas.

VII. 2019 Pool Upgrade - Utility Savings

Dale Bergman provided the Committee with an overview of the to date savings on the operating costs after the pool upgrade to include the length of time that the utility use has been tracked, the overall cost savings to gas, water, electrical and pool chemicals, the improvement to the air quality and the goal to install meters on the pool to track the gas and electric use for the pool area only.

VIII. MHS Fire Alarm Panel Updates

A. [Simplex Quote](#)

Dale Bergman provided the Committee with a quote from Simplex as well as the history behind the need for an update. The committee discussed the options available as well as the pros and cons of a complete system update versus installing head ends now and making additional updates as funds are available.

MOTION by Linda Yingling to recommend the project to update the fire alarm panels at MHS to the full Board for approval, second by Nubs Ashbeck. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. [Wrestling Booster Judo Floor Donation](#)

Dale Bergman provided the committee with the history behind the request to accept the Wrestling Booster Club Judo Floor Donation as well as an overview of what a judo floor

is, the location of the new flooring and how it will enhance safety for student athletes. The total cost will be donated by the wrestling boosters.

The Committee reviewed a narrative provided by Brian Suchocki.

MOTION by Nubs Ashbeck to recommend to the full Board to accept the donation from the booster club to provide the full cost of the judo floor, second by Linda Yingling. Motion carried unanimously.

X. Standing Agenda Item - Safety Sub-Committee Minutes

A. May 4, 2020 Safety Committee Minutes

These minutes will be shared when they become available. Please see the attached [draft minutes](#) from Monday's meeting.

Dale Bergman provided the Committee with a brief overview of the May 4, 2020 Safety Committee meeting.

XI. Standing Agenda Item for Master Facilities (District) Planning

A. Update on Progress of Meetings

Dr. John Sample provided the Committee with an overview of the work that has been done to date, the purpose of having a Master Facilities Plan; as well as, an explanation that planning evolves as decisions are made and new scenarios are considered.

The Committee discussed items that have an impact on the plan design, the need for data to become available in order for the board to be able to make informed decisions, as well as the need to schedule a workshop or a committee meeting in the near future as new information becomes available.

XII. Standing Agenda Item for Review of Safety Policies and Policy Review by Facilities Committee

Please see the attached [main index](#) for Committee review of policies.

The Committee is caught up on policy review at this time. Policies will be added as applicable for revisions.

XIII. Items for Next Meeting and Next Meeting Date

A. September 2, 2020

XIV. Adjournment

MOTION by Nubs Ashbeck to adjourn, second by Linda Yingling. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:27pm.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A QUORUM OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS MAY BE PRESENT AT THIS COMMITTEE MEETING. HOWEVER, NO BOARD MEETING WILL BE CONVENED AND NO BOARD ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.