

NEW MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
New Milford Public Schools
50 East Street
New Milford, Connecticut 06776

FACILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTICE

DATE: December 4, 2012
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: Lillis Administration Building—Room 2

AGENDA

New Milford Public Schools Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, educators, family, and community, is to prepare each and every student to compete and excel in an ever-changing world, embrace challenges with vigor, respect and appreciate the worth of every human being, and contribute to society by providing effective instruction and dynamic curriculum, offering a wide range of valuable experiences, and inspiring students to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

1. Call to Order

2. Public Comment

The Board welcomes Public Participation and asks that speakers please limit their comments to three minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and programs that concern them. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, nor against any person connected with the New Milford Public School System.

3. Discussion and Possible Action

- A. Youth Agency grants
- B. Cenergistic Update
- C. Turf Field Update
- D. Energy Efficiency Opportunities
- E. Camera Installation at East Street

4. Adjourn

Sub-Committee Members: Mr. Daniel W Nichols, Chairperson
Mr. Thomas McSherry
Mrs. Lynette Celli Rigdon
Mr. William Wellman

Alternates: Mr. David A. Lawson
Mr. David R. Shaffer

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**New Milford Board of Education
Facilities Sub-Committee Minutes
December 4, 2012
Lillis Administration Building, Room 2**

- Present: Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach, Chairperson
Mr. Thomas McSherry
Mrs. Lynette Celli Rigdon
Mr. William Wellman
- Absent: Mr. Daniel Nichols
- Also Present: Dr. JeanAnn C. Paddyfote, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Joshua Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Ellamae Baldelli, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Gregg Miller, Director of Fiscal Services
Mr. John Calhoun, Facilities Manager
Mr. Leo Rogoza, Assistant Facilities Manager
Mr. William Knipple, Energy Manager

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1.	<p>Call to Order The meeting of the New Milford Board of Education Facilities Sub-Committee was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Faulenbach, acting as Chairperson in Mr. Nichol's absence.</p>	<p>Call to Order</p>
2.	<p>Public Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	<p>Public Comment</p>
3.	<p>Discussion and Possible Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Faulenbach adjusted the order of items since Mr. Mankin was not present yet to speak about the Youth Agency grants. <p>B. Cenergistic Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bill Knipple, the district's Energy Manager, gave the annual update. Mr. Knipple said Energy Education had changed its name to Cenergistic, but it is the same company and contacts with which the district has been working. He distributed the annual report which he had updated through September 2012. He stated that verification methods are separate from the energy program and are fully compliant with Federal standards. It is a cost avoidance summary, analyzing the difference between what we would have spent were the 	<p>Discussion and Possible Action</p> <p>Cenergistic Update</p>

program not in place with the present. The cost avoidance from October 2011 through September 2012 was \$426,431 which represents a 26.82% cost avoidance percentage. This figure puts the total cost avoidance since the program's inception over the \$2,000,000 mark. Mr. Knipple's goals for the coming year are: to apply for an *Energy Star*® rating for each of the schools starting with NMHS; to increase communication of savings with staff throughout the district; to attend the company's winter conference; and to invite a consultant to visit the district to give suggestions for additional energy savings possibilities. Mr. Knipple said that the program has saved the district a multitude of dollars over the years, thanks to the vigilance of the staff in general and to the maintenance and custodial staff in particular.

- Mr. McSherry said that Mr. Knipple had provided a chart of actual energy usage in the past and that he would like to see that again. Mr. Knipple agreed to provide an update.
- Mrs. Faulenbach asked about the costs of the program. Mr. Knipple said the only costs were his stipend and an additional \$1,000 to \$1,200 for the software.

A. Youth Agency grants

- Mr. Mark Mankin expressed his appreciation with the 30 plus year relationship that the Youth Agency has had with the Board of Education. He said the Youth Agency had worked on three projects this year at East Street: patching and repainting the gymnasium ceiling, having the gutters replaced, and fixing a leak on the cupola. He said the cupola also needs painting and tightening structurally at a cost of between \$50,000 and \$60,000. He is investigating town funding and state grants to help defray the cost and will keep the Board informed as he obtains more information.
- Mr. Wellman asked if the roof needed replacement. Mr. Mankin said it was not leaking presently but part of the grant would


Youth Agency grants

	<p>require a renovation engineer and architect to examine it. It is the building's original slate roof from the 1930s.</p> <p>C. Turf Field Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Lou Alhage, representing the Booster Club, gave an update on the Turf Field project. He said that the benefactor who had come forward last April/May was not able to provide funding. The Booster Club is hoping to form a task force of community members to explore alternate funding means and rally support for the project which would benefit the entire community. He wanted to find out what role the Board of Education would like to play in the process.• Mrs. Faulenbach asked if the soil test planned last year by the Booster Club was ever done. Mr. Alhage said it was not; that there were funds put aside for it, but no time frame had been set.• Mr. Wellman asked about the scope of the project. Mr. Alhage said the focus now was on replacement of the varsity field at a cost of approximately \$900,000 vs. the original \$2.3 million complex proposed.• Mrs. Faulenbach asked if the town had estimated its possible contribution. Mr. Alhage said that estimate was for \$480,000.• Mrs. Faulenbach asked for feedback from the committee. She said her personal opinion was that this was a great project but that the Board of Education had only a small piece in what should be a town-wide project.• Mr. Wellman asked if the project could be done in steps over time to spread out the cost. Mr. Alhage said that was not possible.• Mrs. Celli Rigdon asked if the \$900,000 included necessary track repair that was mentioned at a previous meeting. Mr. Calhoun said it did not and that the track project could be done separately without infringing on the other project.• Mr. Wellman asked if the original \$2.3 million could be funded by bond and if the project	<p>Turf Field Update</p>
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	<p>could provide an income stream in the future. Mr. Alhage said a bond had not been pursued previously but could be looked into down the road if that was the consensus. He said the field turf consultants had advised not to promote financial return on possible advertising or rental as the field would need replacement in approximately 12 years at an estimated cost of \$200,000 and any revenues could be used towards that cost.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs. Faulenbach thanked Mr. Alhage for the update and asked that he continue to keep the Board informed going forward.	
<p>D.</p>	<p>Energy Efficiency Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Calhoun said there were a series of programs taking place in all the schools primarily focusing on lighting controls, motion sensors, and refrigeration controls. The total cost of the programs is approximately \$288,000 with CL&P incentives covering \$125,000 of that. The net cost of \$163,000 is financed through the district's utility bill with no cash outlay. The district will save \$74,000 a month while financing \$65,000 resulting in positive cash flow of \$9,000 a month. Payback is estimated at 2.7 years and the district will save 500,000 kilowatts per year. CL&P guarantees the savings. Mr. Calhoun said there are other less obvious savings in lower maintenance and fewer bulb replacements. He stated that return on investment for these types of programs is high and that he is looking forward to having the Cenergistic consultant come to suggest more areas for savings.• Mrs. Faulenbach asked about the length of the projects. Mr. Calhoun said the projects had already started. The work is taking place at night and should be totally completed in six months' time.	<p>Energy Efficiency Opportunities</p>
<p>E.</p>	<p>Camera Installation at East Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Calhoun said this project was in its beginning stages. All the material has been ordered, the software installed and work	<p>Camera Installation at East Street</p>

	<p>begins this week with a completion date of the end of December. It is an IP camera system which allows for more flexibility with our network. There will be seven cameras total focusing on the parking area, entrances and gymnasium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs. Faulenbach asked how the project was being funded and Mr. Calhoun said it was approved through the year-end balance.	
4.	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>Mr. McSherry moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Celli Rigdon and passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.</p>

Respectfully submitted:


Wendy Faulenbach, Chairperson
Board of Education