

MINUTES OF THE BUILDING, GROUNDS, AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING OF SENECA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, DISTRICT 160, SENECA, ILLINOIS

A meeting of the Building, Grounds, and Transportation Committee was held on October 2, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Joe Johnson and Ron Frye. Also present were Barry Buchanan, Jim Carlson, and Dan Stecken representatives
Absent: Mark Victor

- A. Public Comment- None
- B. Building, Grounds & Transportation

- 1. BTC Report Update

- Dr. Carlson reviewed the September 25, 2019 meeting between BTC, Ramcorp, and Seneca High school. Ramcorp rejects the conclusions made by BTC and wants additional research into the problem. In a subsequent call with BTC, it was recommended to Seneca High School to contact the district's attorney and obtain guidance on how to proceed, but not to pay for additional parapet wall exploration . Dr. Carlson will confer with an attorney with expertise on construction issues and determine the next steps.

- 2. Maintenance Grants

- Dr. Carlson discussed the likelihood of a school maintenance grant program and what projects the District has that may qualify. The Committee granted permission to pursue the grant when it is available.

- 3. Future Projects

- Barry Buchanan and Dr. Carlson reviewed projects planned for the summer of 2020.

- 4. Gender Neutral Bathrooms

- Dr. Carlson discussed PA 101-0165, which requires gender-neutral restrooms in single occupancy restrooms.

- 5. Rat Run

- Dr. Carlson shared that the Mayor of Seneca asked if the District would participate in a discussion to dredge Rat Run. The position of SHS is that it is willing to be a participant in a project if it is a part of a comprehensive solution to the flooding problem and that it would share in the cost of the project that borders its property.

- 6. HLS Walk Through

- Dr. Carlson reported that the annual Health Life Safety Walk Through by the ROE would take place on December 3, 2019.

C. Other

1. Building Services Report

Barry Buchanan presented a building services update, including the impact of the most recent flood on school property. He recognized Andy Applebee, Mike Applebee, Jim Johnson, and Cory Mc George for their help in the clean up of the auto shop. Dr. Carlson provided an update on the repair to the damaged area caused by a driver from Central Illinois Produce.

2. Ward Home

Dr. Carlson reported that he met with members of the Ward Family about purchasing their home located at 259 E. Scott Street. The family indicated they would like to complete a transaction by December. The district is awaiting confirmation before proceeding to have the property appraised.

3. Vehicle Rotation/Activity Bus

Dr. Carlson reviewed the vehicle rotation plan and specifications for a new activity bus.

4. School Report Card

Dr. Carlson reviewed the preliminary 2019 school report card. The District earned a commendable designation. Dr. Carlson warned that increasing special needs numbers would likely reduce the designation in future years.

5. Home Demolition and Parking Lot Construction

Dr. Carlson and Barry Buchanan reviewed the demolition project progress and discussed next steps in the conversion of the property to a gravel parking lot.

D. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.


Board President


Board Secretary

10-16-19
Date