

CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 21, 2017

Committee Members Present

Mr. Glenn Schloeffel, Member

Mr. Ken Rodemer, Asst. Director of Operations

Committee Members Not Present

Mr. John Gamble, Chairperson

Mr. Dennis Weldon, Member

Others in Attendance

Mrs. Beth Darcy, Board President

Dr. Scott Davidheiser, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Sharon Collopy, Board Member

Mr. Dave Matyas, Business Administrator

Mr. Paul Faulkner, Board Member

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Mr. Schloeffel.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REVIEW OF MEETING NOTES

The May 16, 2017 Operations Committee Meeting minutes were reviewed. The minutes included a statement made by Mr. Mike Harte during his public comment. Mr. Harte stated that the official report by the independent consultant designated the fields at CB East the worst in the district. The official report was reviewed and did not contain that statement. Mr. Harte's comment regarding the independent consultant's findings will be stricken from the meeting minutes for May 16.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Mr. Rodemer stated that construction updates will be reviewed on a separate agenda item during this meeting. There were no other new capital projects updates.

ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION

CB East High School – Pool Deck Re-Surface Bids: The tile on the pool deck has worn and presents a safety hazard. Currently mats are being utilized to help alleviate the danger of slippery surfaces. The potential for falls has increased, and the temporary measures only offer a partial solution. Bids were solicited to remove and replace all of the pool deck ceramic tile. Only one bid was submitted for the replacement of the tile on the pool deck. Mr. Schloeffel asked why only one contractor would submit a bid for the project. Mr. Rodemer noted that it was an aggressive time schedule to meet completion of the project at the end of September. Mr. Rodemer also stated that the base bid submitted by Stoneridge was extremely high. The alternate bid items included one for acid washing the pool. Mr. Rodemer indicated that draining the pool for the tile replacement and not acid washing it at that time would not

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be prudent. The base bid with the addition of the alternate bid for acid washing would bring the cost of the project over \$400,000.

Operations is recommending that the bid be rejected at this time and other options be explored, which would include a longer timeline for completion of the project. Mr. Rodemer suggested the project be put back out for bid in January or February. The possibility of utilizing a poured epoxy floor as an interim solution for the main traffic areas of the pool deck will be investigated. Poured epoxy flooring is used in other areas in the district. An epoxy flooring is poured, and clear coat is added with an abrasive grit (sand) cast on top. A final clear coat is then added. Cost and feasibility will be reviewed to see if the epoxy flooring would be an acceptable temporary solution. In the meantime, additional mats will be added to try and maintain safety. Mrs. Darcy noted that ultimately the pool deck will need resurfacing despite the use of the temporary measures. The work would ideally be done after the swim program is completed and in time for community school to hold their activities. Mr. Rodemer noted that the project could be completed in a summer, however the timing this year would not allow for the project to start until July – losing one month of work time. Because an item was sent out for bid, procedure dictates that the item must be accepted or rejected. Committee agreed to place an item rejecting the bid from Stoneridge on the next School Board Meeting Agenda.

Tohickon Storage Building Bids: Bids were sent out twice before for construction of a storage building at Tohickon Middle School. The project was re-bid, and the low bid was from Premier Builders, Inc. The bathroom renovations at Kutz are currently being done by Premier Builders, who have also done work at Linden and other district sites. The bid of \$74,612 also includes a deduct to change from a metal roof to a shingle roof. That deduction would take the bid price to \$71,862. The Capital Project budget estimates done in September had the project at \$95,000.

Mr. Schloeffel asked why the district would not choose to do a metal roof. Mr. Rodemer stated that a metal roof is more complicated to maintain. A shingle roof has a 30-year warranty. A metal roof would require maintenance during that time period. Mr. Schloeffel asked for the size of the shed. Mr. Rodemer noted it is 20' x 30'. Power will not be part of this contract, but there will be conduits supplied from the existing pump building to the shed in case of future need. The district would be able to complete that in house. Committee agreed to place the award of the bid for the Tohickon Storage Building on the next School Board Meeting Agenda.

Holicong Chiller Repairs: The existing Holicong Middle School Chiller is in need of service and repairs. The chiller was installed in 1998 and the last major service was in 2008. A proposal was presented from Tozour-Trane for factory service work on the chiller in the amount of \$50,990. Mrs. Collopy asked if the repairs would be finished before school starts. Mr. Rodemer noted that repairs would not start until October. The chiller would be shut down after the air conditioning season. Repairs would be done over the winter so that the chiller would be ready in the spring. Mr. Schloeffel asked why the repair wasn't done when the Holicong renovations were done. Mr. Rodemer noted that service hours often dictate when repairs are necessary and they were not indicated at that time. The proposal for repair is a US Communities Contract proposal. Mr. Faulkner asked what was the average life of a chiller. Mr. Rodemer noted with proper maintenance a chiller could last forty or fifty years. Committee agreed to place the award of the contract on the next School Board Meeting Agenda.

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Adopt-A-Field Agreement: The agreement presented this evening is the same as previously submitted and now includes the comments by Mr. Garton, District Solicitor. The comment suggested by Mr. Garton regarding the fifth bullet item was deemed not necessary at this time and will be deleted. Mrs. Darcy noted that the groups that participated this spring were part of a pilot program. This document will be an administrative regulation managed by the Operations Department. Board approval of the document is not a requirement, but memorializes the program for use going forward. Mr. Faulkner asked what the seasonal fee is based upon. It was noted that it varied depending on sport and time of year. Mr. Faulkner inquired if other organizations would be excluded from utilizing fields if there was already an agreement in place with a different organization. Mr. Schloeffel noted that the organization holding the agreement would have first right to the field, but if they were not using it another organization would be able to. Mrs. Darcy stated that the fields would continue to be coordinated by the Operations Department. Committee agreed to place the Adopt-A-Field Agreement for approval on the next School Board Meeting Agenda.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE PROJECT UPDATES

CB East Domestic Water System: The domestic water system is under construction and the existing water tank has been removed. The walls are up on the foundations for the addition. The temporary water connection has been made so water is maintained in the building. The project is going well. Mr. Faulkner asked if the system was excluded from the impervious surface regulations. Mr. Rodemer noted that an addition was done to the building, but most of that building is on paving. Other paving was removed and put back to grass, resulting in a net zero change to impervious surface.

CB South Tennis Courts: Work is tentatively scheduled to begin the week of July 3.

CB West Auditorium: Permits are in place. Work has begun. Submittals are nearly complete and the project is on schedule.

CB West Athletic Field Improvements: The architect is working on the preliminary site plan and they may be ready for review at the next committee meeting. There are some issues regarding the layout of the fields and existing space restrictions. There is only eleven feet to the fence on the left side of the field, which needs to accommodate a walkway or drive to get to the baseball fields. There may also be an eight-foot retaining wall placed on that side due to the slope of the ground. The architect is working on addressing those and other items. Soil testing has been completed to identify the percolation rates for water management. Initial discussions have been held with the township regarding their requirements for impervious calculations for storm water management. Mr. Faulkner asked the anticipated completion date for the project. Mr. Rodemer noted that it would be ready for bid in February of next year. Construction would start next spring and be completed at the end of August 2018.

CB West War Memorial Stadium Improvements: Work is being done on the revisions of the drawings and will be bid at the end of July or early August. Work would begin at the end of CB West football season.

CB West War Memorial Field & Track Improvements: Turf has been removed and grading has begun. Utilities have been marked and construction crews are on site. There has been some vandalism within the last few days. Students removed pieces of the track as souvenirs. The pieces they removed were supposed to stay, they were only going to be cleaned and recoated. Mrs. Darcy asked for clarification

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that actual pieces of the track were taken, not just pieces of turf. Mr. Rodemer verified it was actual rubber pieces of the track surface. There were two different incidents involving two different groups. The people involved were picked up on security camera footage and identified. The district is in the process of estimating the cost of repair and determining the parties responsible for each portion of the damage. Mrs. Collopy noted that the individuals probably thought it was going to be trashed and decided to help themselves to a souvenir. The pieces were removed in one case with a hatchet. Mrs. Darcy stated that she was surprised that people had remarked to her that pieces of the turf should be sold as souvenirs. Mr. Rodemer noted that the turf is removed by the contractor as part of their contract and is recycled. It was mentioned that one district utilized the removed turf as part of their batting cages. Mrs. Darcy commented that the turf at War Memorial is totally threadbare and beyond any type of additional use. Mr. Rodemer reiterated that the turf is not being disposed of, it is written in the contract that it will be removed and become property of the contractor for recycling purposes. Mrs. Darcy commented that she had driven by the field a week ago and that it was nice to see there was major work going on. Partially because of the vandalism issue, the district has contracted with an outside security company. There has been an issue with keeping people off the field while work is going on, and attendees to baseball games try to sit in the stands. Security will remain in place for the foreseeable future. Mr. Faulkner asked if a temporary fence has been installed. People have previously entered through the opening where the ticket window is on the home side. Mr. Rodemer noted that arrangements had been made for a temporary fence from the field house to the visitor's side bleachers. Mr. Faulkner asked if we were able to post the site, Mr. Rodemer stated that it is posted and there are signs indicating there is video surveillance.

Educational Services Center HVAC Improvements: Drawings are being completed. The construction phasing schedule still needs to be finished. Bidding is anticipated in late summer with work starting in the fall.

Facility Assessment Study: KCBA Architects have completed almost all of the field investigations. They have consolidated their information and meetings were held with Operations. Preliminary reports were drafted for the elementary schools and reviewed on May 24. Reports for the secondary schools were reviewed on June 15. KCBA will continue to assemble their information and draft a final report. Mr. Schloeffel asked if the report will be ready in July. Mr. Rodemer noted that there is not an Operations Committee meeting scheduled for July. The final report may not be ready until the committee meeting in August. A draft report could be submitted for committee review prior to that date. Mrs. Darcy noted that the project costs would be coming from Capital Funds, eliminating the need to follow a budget cycle for planning the projects. A delay until August for a completed report makes no real impact.

Holicong Middle School Core Renovations Phase 5: Demolition has started in the Commons on the first floor and the Library on the second floor. Floor protection has been installed to avoid damage to existing floors during demolition work. The project is on schedule.

Kutz Elementary School Bathroom Renovations: Demolition began the day after the school year ended. All internal bathroom walls are down. There are some issues in one section of the building due to the lack of plumbing documents available. That area is one of the few in the district where no plumbing documents exist. Piping under the ground is not located where it was anticipated. A few change orders will be expected to deal with any readjustments necessary to ensure sanitary sewer lines line up exactly and existing water lines are re-fed.

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Paving – Barclay, Linden, Administrative Services Center & Jamison: Work at the Administrative Center has started. Curbing in bad condition was removed and replaced. Paving will begin on the back half of the property near Rt. 313. Once that is completed, the rest of the lot will be finished. Linden work will be next, then Barclay. Work will begin this week on Jamison, beginning with the curbing that is in bad condition. Milling and paving will then be completed.

Security Camera Upgrades: All new cameras purchased have been installed, with the exception of two of the elementary schools and the Transportation Annex. All I.T. work required is in place and operational.

Tohickon Storage Building: As addressed earlier in the meeting, the Committee has agreed to place the award of the bid for the Tohickon Storage Building on the next School Board Meeting Agenda.

Mr. Schloeffel asked if there were more or less projects in place this summer than last summer. Mr. Rodemer noted that there were probably more projects but less in value amount. There are also additional projects that require oversight, which takes more man hours. Mr. Schloeffel inquired if there was sufficient staff to handle all the summer projects. Mr. Rodemer noted that Mr. Levan was hired to help with summer construction projects, but staffing is definitely down. Mr. Schloeffel thanked Mr. Rodemer for the extra effort involved in managing the work.

Miscellaneous

Citizen's Advisory Committee – CB East/Holicong Baseball Field Improvements: Any improvements are on hold until the township meeting can be held. Two purchase orders had previously been signed to have Shangri-La work on the drainage at the baseball fields. Those purchase orders have not been sent to Shangri-La. Once the township meeting occurs, Mr. Rodemer suggests those purchase orders may want to be revisited. Mr. Faulkner inquired what the purchase orders were for. Mr. Rodemer noted that one was for installation of the drainage system at the Holicong varsity baseball field in the amount of \$11,500. Mr. Faulkner asked if the work in the purchase order was based on a proposal previously submitted by Shangri-La. Mr. Rodemer confirmed that it was. Mrs. Darcy noted that when the proposal was submitted, Shangri-La was told repeatedly that the meeting with the township would precede any decision on work to be done. Mr. Rodemer stated that the second purchase order for \$18,525 was for similar work to be completed on the CB East varsity baseball field. Mrs. Darcy asked for clarification on whether work was to be done on baseball or softball fields. Mr. Rodemer noted that the proposal was for varsity baseball fields. Mr. Faulkner expressed concern that purchase orders existed for work that had not been bid. Mr. Rodemer reiterated that the purchase orders were generated in response to the original proposal and have not been sent to Shangri-La. Mr. Schloeffel requested clarification on the process of signing purchase orders for that amount of money. Mr. Rodemer indicated that protocol dictates an additional approval signature would be required on the initial purchase order. Shangri-La was reminded three weeks ago that no work would be considered until after the township meeting, and they understood and are willing to wait for further direction from the district. Mr. Faulkner remarked that he believed it was a project that should go out for bid. Mr. Rodemer believes the renovations were viewed as a continuation of other work that was performed in the district. Mr. Faulker noted that outside groups do not determine when and what work is done on district property. Mrs. Darcy remarked that work was done on almost every baseball field in the district this spring, and none of that work included drainage. She believes there was a misconception about the condition of the fields at East and would like to see a written response to the study of the fields completed last fall. Safety issues were

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addressed immediately, but there are other issues that can be dealt with in a reasonable way to bring district fields to industry standards. The plan developed by Harte/Shangri-La was offered as their recommendation of work that needed to be done. Mrs. Darcy noted that final determination on any work is the district's responsibility, not that of an outside partner.

Mr. Schloeffel remarked that the confusion surrounding Shangri-La's interpretation of this issue stems from miscommunication. He attributed the miscommunication to the current lack of a Director in the Operations Department, who would have ensured that proper procedure was followed and that communication to Shangri-La was accurate. Mr. Schloeffel asked Mr. Matyas for verification that a second approval signature would have been required for purchase orders over \$5,000. Mr. Matyas confirmed that was the procedure. Mr. Schloeffel expressed concern over the signed purchase orders currently being held in Operations. The possibility exists that they could have been given to Shangri-La and work could have begun. Mr. Matyas agreed that a signed purchase order is a contract from the district to begin work, and there would have been an issue had those purchase orders been delivered to Shangri-La. Mr. Schloeffel reiterated that he believed this was an isolated incident that will not happen once a Director is in place. Mr. Faulkner asked if Harte/Shangri-La were parents of students at East who participated in baseball. Mrs. Darcy noted that they were. Mr. Rodemer stated that it has been his concern that the focus of the Shangri-La proposal has only been on baseball and softball. Other teams such as soccer or lacrosse could expect that their fields be given the same consideration, which would remarkably increase the expenses in the original proposal from Harte/Shangri-La. Mr. Faulkner agreed that this situation will cross the threshold of Title IX. Mrs. Darcy reiterated her belief that a written plan for all fields is a necessity. Title IX is an issue at East and Holicong due to the number of fields available for use, and she believes a written response to the field study is required. Mrs. Darcy also thanked Mr. Rodemer for his assistance over the last few months in areas where he did not have purview.

Mr. Rodemer responded to an inquiry from Mrs. Darcy regarding the softball field between Holicong and East. The field has been reviewed by the Athletic Directors and the principals at both schools, and it has been determined that it is a regulation softball field. Mrs. Darcy commented that she was at the school to look at the field, and noticed that there were fence posts being installed in the outfield. Mr. Rodemer noted that they were being removed because neither the Athletic Directors or principals felt that fencing was needed in that area. Mr. Rodemer stated that the principals and Athletic Directors wanted a temporary plastic fence. The temporary fencing would be used during the season to prevent students from running on to the sidewalk. A temporary plastic fence would also avoid the difficulty of trying to plow snow around a permanent fence during the winter months. The mistaken installation of the fence posts was attributed to a miscommunication from CB Operations. Mr. Rodemer noted that the fencing company did not have a proposal or a purchase order for the work. Mr. Schloeffel questioned how the company expected to be paid without a purchase order. Mrs. Darcy remarked that if the expense of the fence was under the \$5,000 threshold, the process for generating payment would be different than for an \$11,500 expense. Mr. Faulkner remarked that the concept of the \$5,000 threshold for purchases is very different than the approval of physical and structural changes to district property. He noted that approving supplies needed during any ongoing project is very different than approving installation of a fence. Mrs. Darcy commented that perhaps there should be further discussion, and reiterated that the committee understood the situation was not Mr. Rodemer's purview.

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Mrs. Darcy indicated she felt that the Athletic Directors should survey their fields and offer their opinions on the field study report and any work they believe may be required. She feels the field study report is one piece of information to be taken into consideration, and the contribution of the opinions of the Athletic Directors should be another. Mr. Faulkner noted that facilities maintenance for fields is not the same as maintenance for “brick and mortar”. A turf management specialist is often employed by organizations that have the same number of fields we have in our district. Mr. Faulkner feels that we may not have someone on staff with those qualifications. He also believes additional expertise may be required to address the issues with field maintenance. Mrs. Darcy indicated that there had been discussion at Citizen’s Advisory Committee regarding the possibility of partnering with Del Val for turf management expertise. She noted that there is a designation “Certified Sports Field Manager”, and we do not currently have anyone on staff with that certification. She stated that it would be an excellent professional development opportunity for any member of the CB staff to attain that license. Some CB employees do have background in the area, but none with that designation. Mr. Faulkner reiterated that a genuine effort should be made to explore avenues for tapping in to outside expertise, especially with regard to using pesticides in a public area. Mr. Schloeffel remarked that training existing staff in that area is also a consideration. Mr. Rodemer stated that Mr. Nickerson is a Certified Pest Control specialist on staff.

Mrs. Darcy noted the change in footprint to the buildings at Holicong and East. The change interfered with some of the athletic fields. One softball field has been rendered essentially unusable, leading to potential Title IX issues. While the focus of the renovations had to be for the students in the classrooms, there was no accommodation made to maintain an appropriate footprint for offering middle school, JV and Varsity athletics. The expertise of a Certified Sports Field Manager would have been useful in that situation. Mr. Rodemer noted that there was a plan to change the unusable softball field to backstop where the portable classrooms are currently located. Until the portables are no longer there, that change is on hold. Mr. Schloeffel asked if that field is currently in use. Mr. Rodemer noted that the field was measured and meets acceptable levels for high school sports.

Dr. Davidheiser noted that Athletic Directors met for two days last week. A list was generated for items that needed attention from the Facilities Department over the summer, most notably field orientations that need to be changed due to the addition of ninth grade sports and scheduling to accommodate use of fields by more athletic teams. Danielle Turner, district Director of Athletics, will coordinate with the Facilities Department to ensure that fall sports will be able to proceed seamlessly. Dr. Davidheiser noted that field irrigation will continue to be a concern and the district is very much weather dependent for all grassy surfaces. Mr. Rodemer stated that Facilities had a proposal for field irrigation done by Gilmore Associates. The proposal detailed what would need to be done just to get started with well permits, and the cost was extremely high. Mr. Faulkner noted that it was probably one of the most expensive ventures the district could take on.

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Facility Use Fee Waivers:

Alpha K9 is a Chalfont based non-profit volunteer organization that trains service and rescue dogs for local and state law enforcement. They would like to use some district fields on weekends between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. They do not have a set schedule, they would need to be fit in when the fields are available. They are requesting a waiver of fees. Mrs. Darcy commented that most groups using our fields are non-profit. Mrs. Collopy noted that the organizations may be non-profit, but people could still be making a living through their association with the organization and that makes a difference. Mr. Faulkner asked if the district had any liability if one of the dogs injured someone. Mr. Rodemer noted that the organization would need to meet the district's insurance requirement. Mr. Faulkner is concerned that there is liability to the district beyond the organizations insurance. Mrs. Darcy noted that the district has limited liability. Mr. Schloeffel commented that the criteria used for waiving fees for certain groups and not others seem to be monetary considerations based on the organization's non-profit status. Mrs. Collopy stated that there is nothing preventing the organization from using the field without permission. Mr. Rodemer agreed that the organization could do that, but he was impressed that they were trying to follow proper procedure and ask permission. Mr. Matyas noted there would be no district personnel cost associated with the use of the field. The Committee agrees to waive the facility use fee for Alpha K9.

The YMCA has a program called Club After 2, which provides after school activities for special needs students grades 7-12. They would like to utilize Tamanend Middle School to expand their program to more than the current 12 students. All students would be Central Bucks students. They are asking for a waiver of the facility use fee. There would be no expense on the district's part because the building would already be staffed during that time. Mr. Schloeffel asked if the families are charged for this service. Mr. Rodemer noted that the YMCA is a non-profit organization, but the families are charged for the program. Mrs. Darcy asked if it would be CB students staying after school with services provided by the YMCA. Mr. Rodemer noted that the program is similar to the Before/After School Care program offered by the district. Mrs. Collopy asked if the program was year round or only during the school year. Mr. Rodemer believes it will only be offered during the school year. This will be a new program. Currently the program is offered to 12 students at the YMCA. The group is looking for a more regional location to allow easier access to other students. Mr. Schloeffel asked if the waiver is given, would it only be for a year or would it be a blanket waiver. He noted that circumstances change and the situation may need to be reviewed. Mrs. Darcy stated that waivers must be given every year. Mr. Matyas commented that if the program is successful and a continuation is requested for next year, there is always the possibility of charging a nominal fee since participants will be paying the YMCA for the service. Dr. Davidheiser noted that Tamanend hosts most of the district's regional autistic population at the middle level, he believes that many of the participants in this program will come from that autistic population. Mrs. Collopy questioned how the students that don't attend Tamanend would get to the program. Mrs. Darcy noted that the YMCA does have

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busses. Mr. Rodemer commented that currently parents are providing transport to the YMCA, they would just transport the students to Tamanend instead. Mrs. Darcy inquired if Dr. Davidheiser and Mr. Matyas were comfortable with the YMCA program. Mr. Matyas noted that the YMCA had been proactive and gotten in touch with the district's Before/After School care program for ideas. The Committee agrees to waive the facility use fee for the YMCA Club After 2 program.

Doylestown Borough is in the process of holding multiple zoning hearing appeal meetings to deal with a specific issue. They have already utilized our facilities a few times in the past. The borough anticipates the same zoning issue will require an additional four or five meetings, possibly even more. They would like to continue to use Lenape for the meetings regarding the installation of cell phone towers. The facility use fee was waived for the first three meetings. There is cost to the district for opening the facility and for providing a light and sound technician for the meeting. Total cost to the district for the previous three meetings is about \$2,500. Mrs. Darcy stated that it is a good thing to maintain positive relations with the townships and the boroughs. Mr. Rodemer noted that the zoning hearing board is separate from the borough. If the hearing board were charged a facility use fee, they could pass the charge on to the company that is asking to install the towers. Charging the zoning hearing appeal board would not be the same as charging the borough managers the district works with. Mrs. Darcy asked for a breakdown of the charges that could be applied. Mr. Rodemer replied that the room charge would be \$125/per hour for four hours, and the lighting and sound stage manager would be there from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at a cost of \$240. He noted that we do not need to supply a stage manager, the district could supply two microphones instead. Mrs. Darcy suggested a conversation be held with the Borough detailing the options for services provided by the district. She felt that costs associated with bringing in specialists to help run the event should be incurred by the hearing board. If the building were already staffed and there were no other costs to the district than the supply of the room, she would not have a problem waiving the room use fee. Mr. Rodemer stated that during the summer there would be costs associated with bringing in custodial staff to open the building for an evening meeting. The Committee agreed that if the district incurs personnel costs, the zoning board should be charged a fee for those costs. The room use fee could be waived. Mr. Rodemer will call the Borough and explain the options

Additional Security Cameras: Mr. Rodemer reported that some schools have expressed interest in additional cameras to cover their parking lots and fields. Mrs. Collopy suggested those requests be considered as part of the facilities study coming in. Mr. Faulkner asked if older cameras no longer in use could be used as "visual deterrents" to possibly inhibit vandalism. Mr. Rodemer noted that had not been done in the past. The Committee agreed to table discussion until the study is completed.

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Chalfont Borough Grant Application for Moyer Road Improvements: As a matter of information for the Committee, Mr. Rodemer reported that Chalfont Borough is applying for federal assistance to slow traffic and make improvements on Moyer Road near Unami Middle School. The borough will probably look to the district to help with costs of a flashing light near the front of the school.

Mr. Schloeffel recognized public comment offered by Roberta Lichter, Director of the CB Aquatics Program, regarding the bid proposal for the CB East pool deck. Mrs. Lichter asked if the proposal could go out for bid again with a less restrictive timeline. Mr. Rodemer noted that the re-bid process takes about a month, leaving a short window of time to complete the work. Mrs. Lichter stated that it had been a very stressful few months for the CB Aquatics Program. She felt the mats currently being utilized were not a healthy situation. The cost of adding additional mats would be prohibitive. The Aquatics Program was already affected this summer by the water system work occurring at East. To lose programs next summer would be a big loss of revenue, she would prefer to lose some time in October rather than a longer period over the course of a year. She is concerned with the safety issues and the number of accidents that have happened due to the slippery floors. Mr. Rodemer noted that rebidding the project would not be difficult, however there would be no guarantee there would be better results or more bidders for the project. Mr. Schloeffel asked if rebidding the project with a longer window for completion would be enough incentive to attract additional contractors who may not have a lot of work that time of year. Mr. Rodemer noted that it was possible since contractors that work with school districts would be past their summer rush. It does not cost the district very much to put the proposal out for bid again. Mr. Schloeffel believes that Mrs. Lichter makes a good point, and that it may be worth rebidding the project. Mrs. Darcy noted that the pool at East is located in a separate area where work would not affect classrooms. Mr. Rodemer remarked that if a contractor were awarded the project by the end of July, all the tile removal would be done before school began. Construction impact would then be minimal once classes were in session. Dr. Davidheiser agreed that impact on classrooms would not be an issue. Mr. Faulkner noted that while the project could go out for rebid, he would still like research to continue for other options. Mr. Rodemer will continue to investigate other possible solutions. The Committee agreed that the project should be re-bid with an extended time frame.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

The date for the next Operations Committee Meeting is August 23, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.