

**Marple Newtown School District
Facilities/Transportation Committee Meeting
Tuesday January 12, 2010
Gauntlet Center-Board Meeting Minutes**

Present: Committee: Mr. Richard Sokorai, Mrs. Nancy Galbraith

Board: Mrs. Dana Kauffman, Mr. Fred Dewey,
Mr. David McGinley, Mr. John McDevitt

Administration: Dr. Merle Horowitz, Mr. Joe Driscoll, Mr. Mike Dumin

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Audience: 8

- I. Meeting called to order by Mr. Richard Sokorai @ 8:00 P.M.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of the Minutes from November 10, 2009 meeting
 - A. Mr. Richard Sokorai asked that his name be corrected in two locations and that the word "many" be taken out from one of his statements.

Motion approved to Full Board on January 26, 2010

IV. Informational/Discussion Items – Facilities

Mr. Sokorai asked to move item B. Recommendation for a motion to approve PlanCon F Final and attachments C for the High School Renovation and Additional Project be moved to a vote on Thursday January 14, 2010 Special Board Meeting.

Motion approved to full Board January 26, 2010.

- A. High School Renovation and Additional project update Presented by Bonnet Associates and Reynolds Construction Management.

Mr. Damion Spahr introduced Mr. Tim Sullivan the on-site Construction Manager at the Marple Newtown High School Project and also a MNHS graduate. Mr. Sullivan gave a brief update for the Board on the renovation Project outlining what demo has been done and discussed the installation of a new sewage drain. He spoke of the forward challenges now that that ground is frozen. As to date there have been no complaints concerning noise or other problems from the community.

what the study has found so far concerning age of the sections, and materials of each section.

Mr. Bonnett explained the options and different scenarios they have found on their study. He also reviewed the down falls of the system for heating, plumbing and electricity. All of which would need to be completely replaced with new, and that this needs to be taken into consideration.

Mr. McGinley asked Mr. Bonnett of the different scenarios concerning demolition and its cost. Mr. McGinley also spoke briefly on his personal opinion on what he would like to see happen with the Gauntlett Center.

Mr. Sokorai summarized we should have a rough idea concerning the general ideas and the amount of space we needed as a school district. Also, what is the "grey area of needs" for the community, and its cost? He also discussed his thoughts on the project.

Mr. Spahr then stated to answer Mr. McGinley's question, it would cost 1.25 Million dollars approximately to demo the entire building, from soup to nuts. This figure is approximately \$650,000.00 to demo everything but section "A".

Mr. Dumin spoke briefly on the needs of the Kids Stop Program, the After School Programs, Leisure Services and the use of the Gym.

There was a brief discussion to the possibility of buying a building. Mr. Bonnet discussed the gross square footage of a rented or purchased building.

The issue of the Fiber Optic lines to the Gauntlett Center was brought up and addressed by Mr. Chris Lee. Mr. Lee stated the Optic Lines run from West Chester Pike down Media Line Road into the Gaunlett Center property.

Mr. Driscoll was asked if the MNHS Renovation Project Bond money could be used to purchase a building. Mr. Driscoll replied, yes.

Mr. Dumin spoke briefly on the leases in the building and also the contract with Nextel. He will contact Nextel to see where the tower can be moved to.

E. Recommendation for a motion to approve Professional Roofing Services to develop bid specifications and drawings for the roof repair and replacement projects at Worrall and Loomis Elementary Schools at a cost of \$17,500.00 and to authorize the administration to seek bids for these projects.

Mr. Driscoll objected by stating there is enough in Capital Reserve to get the bid done, but not enough to cover the actual job.