

# Quakertown Community School District

Board Facilities Committee Meeting  
February 4, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

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### COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

**Analog Clocks** – referred to Facilities Committee by the Board

Mr. Harper presented a summary of four options (attached) for providing analog clocks in the two buildings that do not have them – Trumbauersville and Strayer. Mr. Harper will talk with principals about which option they might prefer and report back to the committee next month.

**HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION UPDATE** - George Moore/Norm Long

Mr. Long distributed the updates from January and February (see attachments for details). The project is on schedule.

### INFORMATION/UPDATES:

**2016-17 Facilities Budget Overview – Kelly Harper**

Mr. Harper presented an overview of two items – a categorical summary of items identified in the Schradergroup Engineering Study as “Poor.” That total is approximately \$4.9 million. Major items include playgrounds (\$1.4 million), HVAC issues (\$1.1 million), the Freshman Center Parking Lot (\$450K), Roofing and other exterior items (\$370K), and other lower cost items. There is an allowance in the 2016-17 budget of approximately \$2 million. The specific recommended projects for next year will likely come from this list. Upgrading the controls in some buildings would have a significant impact on the educational environment. Many complaints and work orders originate from heating and cooling issues in classrooms. There was a discussion about the different options for building automation system and other possible priorities for the initial round of projects. We will bring a more detailed set of recommendations back to the committee once the Community Facilities Study Committee completes their work later this spring.

Mr. Harper reviewed the major increase areas in the Facilities department first draft budget for 2016-17. Most of the budget increase is for planned additional repairs and maintenance items. There were also a lot of questions regarding utility costs. A more detailed utility analysis will be presented in April to show each type of energy usage and the cost over time. Mr. Moore reported that eventually the SHS complex will qualify for an “all-electric” rate, which is the lowest rate available, but probably not until it is finished. Mr. Moore also explained that there is a much

higher amount of air being circulated to meet code for ventilation, and this is also an important factor in costs.

**Community Facilities Study Committee Update – Nancianne Edwards**

Ms. Edwards provided a brief update. More detailed updates are posted on the QCSD website.

**Meeting Date/Time/Location for March** – conflict with Tech School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The March 3, 2016 Facilities Committee meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Upper Bucks Tech School.

**Next Month:** High School Construction Update, GCA Quarterly Review, Athletic Fields Revised Plan, High School Cameras

Respectfully submitted,

Nancianne Edwards, Assistant Superintendent