

Regional District #4 Board of Education

Budget Workshop 23 January 2019

Minutes

Attendance: Trish Brookhart, Jane Cavanaugh, Dr Jennifer Clark, Dr Rick Daniels, DG Fitton, Mario Gioco (phone), Michelle Grow, Lori Ann Clymas and Kate Sandmann

Administration: Dr Ruth Levy, Dr Kristina Martineau, Kim Allen, Leigh Rankin and Mike Barile

Audience: 15 citizens

This budget workshop was called to order at 6:13pm by Dr. Jennifer Clark

A motion was made by Michelle Grow and seconded by DG Fitton to add public comment to the agenda at the beginning and end of the agenda. APPROVED 7-0.

The following citizens spoke in regards to athletic facility repair and maintenance and budget issues:

Rebecca Halsey	Richard Strauss
Julianne Pisanzio	Lori Guerette
Don Frazier (letter attached)	Tom Cost
Chris Silva	Chris Cole

Items discussed:

AP, ECE, VHS, IB Cost Sharing

A chart was distributed which provides projected costs for board contribution to fees. The general agreement was to pursue 50% contribution, based on budget constraints.

Building Security Upgrades

A breakdown of the suggested, initial security updates was distributed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by DG Fitton and seconded by Rick Daniels to adjourn this meeting. APPROVED 9-0.

This special meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.



Richard R. Daniels, Jr
Secretary BOE

REGION 4 / CENTRAL OFFICE
2019 - 2020 BUDGET YEAR

School	Capital Project	Estimated Project Budget	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	Total
John Winthrop	Curbing & Sidewalk Replacement	40,000	40,000					40,000
John Winthrop	Roof Repair	35,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	35,000
John Winthrop	HVAC Coil Replacement	50,000	20,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	50,000
John Winthrop	Flooring Replacement	50,000	20,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	50,000
John Winthrop	Soccer Field Irrigation	20,000			20,000			20,000
John Winthrop	Soccer Field Repair	10,000			10,000			10,000
John Winthrop	Chiller Replacement	115,000	40,000	75,000				115,000
John Winthrop	Carpet Replacement	30,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	40,000
John Winthrop	Life Skills Renovation	15,000		15,000				15,000
John Winthrop	Parking Lot Crack Sealing & Repair	25,000		25,000				25,000
John Winthrop	Gym Floor Replacement	150,000			50,000	50,000	50,000	150,000
John Winthrop	Science Lab Renovation	500,000			FUTURE BOND			
	JW Subtotal	1,040,000	135,000	130,000	115,000	85,000	85,000	550,000
Valley Regional	1K UGST Tech Ed Remoe & Replace							
Valley Regional	Sr. Parking Lot Lighting	10,000	10,000					10,000
Valley Regional	Curbing & Sidewalk Replacement	50,000	50,000					50,000
Valley Regional	Roof Repair	30,000	30,000					30,000
Valley Regional	Competition Field Irrigation	10,000	10,000					10,000
Valley Regional	Competition Field Repair	25,000		25,000				25,000
Valley Regional	HVAC Coil Replacement	10,000		10,000				10,000
Valley Regional	Flooring Replacement	15,000	15,000					15,000
Valley Regional	Track Resurface	40,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	40,000
Valley Regional	Carpet Replacement	75,000		25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	100,000
Valley Regional	Chimney Repair	40,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	40,000
Valley Regional	Life Skills Renovation	15,000	15,000					15,000
Valley Regional	Turf Field	60,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	60,000
Valley Regional	Scoreboard	660,000						
Valley Regional	Repave Student Parking Lot	40,000		10,000	15,000	15,000		40,000
Valley Regional	Repave West Side	50,000		10,000	25,000	15,000		50,000
Valley Regional	Chiller	30,000		10,000	10,000	10,000		30,000
Valley Regional	Science Lab Renovation	105,000			15,000	25,000	65,000	105,000
Valley Regional	Tennis Court Maintenance/Replacement	500,000			FUTURE BOND			
Valley Regional	Tech Ed Connect				FUTURE BOND			
	VR Subtotal	1,265,000	130,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	630,000
Central Office								
	CO Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	GRAND TOTAL	2,805,000	265,000	255,000	240,000	210,000	210,000	1,180,000

210,000 Projects to be completed in fiscal year 2019-2020
55,000 Funds to be deposited into capital fund for future project completion once total funds available
265,000

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JW SECURITY

"Man Trap"	50,000
Access Control/Visitor Badge System	5,000
Door Controller Upgrade (HW & SW)	9,900
(includes expansion of alarmed doors)	
subtotal	\$64,900

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VR SECURITY

Access Control/Visitor Badge System	5,000
Door Controller Upgrade (HW & SW)	15,600
(includes expansion of alarmed doors)	
subtotal	\$20,600

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Central Office Security

Access Control	1,100
Camera System/Airphone	4,000
Panic Button	1,000
2nd Egress	15,000
subtotal	\$21,100

GRAND TOTAL \$106,600

- 65,000 Capital
41,600 Budget

AP, ECE, VHS, IB Cost Comparison

	AP \$99 per course 248 average number of courses	UConn ECE \$150 per course 142 average number of courses	VHS \$400 per course \$75 AP fee 35 average number of courses	IB \$875 for program 20 student cohort projected	Total Budgetary Impact
Current Expenditure	\$12,276.00	\$0.00	\$16,500.00	\$0.00	\$28,776.00
BOE Pays 100 %	\$24,552.00	\$21,300.00	\$16,500.00	\$17,500.00	\$79,852.00
BOE Pays 50%	\$12,276.00	\$10,650.00	\$8,250.00	\$8,750.00	\$39,926.00
BOE Pays 0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Fescue to the Rescue

Thank you for the time provided to address the board. My name is Don Frazier. My wife Kelley and I moved to Ivoryton with a 1 year-old son, and have added 3 more children to our family since. We have been a part of this regional community for 20 years, first in pre-school, then Essex Elementary, John Winthrop MS, and Valley Regional HS. Over that time, my kids have participated in a variety of sports including baseball, cross-country, track, soccer and lacrosse, and enjoyed the community gathering at Valley to watch football or field hockey or track. Over the past few years, there has been a noticeable decline in the quality of the fields that my kids have had the opportunity to practice or play upon. There is a sign on the football/soccer field that says "Fescue to the Rescue". This sign touts the benefits of a hardy species of grass that is supposed to be able to withstand multi-event use, weather elements like sun, drought and rain, or maybe a pick game of Frisbee or football. However, years of neglect ranging lack of funding for proper care and maintenance, a broken sprinkler system that was never repaired, scheduled overuse of field, and lack of oversight from a recently revived grounds committee, our fields have become the laughing stock of the Shoreline conference. The neglect of our fields presents a danger to our young athletes and may have contributed to past player injuries. During CIAC post-season competitions, it was embarrassing to hear the other teams' players and fans comment on the poor condition of our fields. We have gone from "Fescue to the Rescue" to "Fescue needs to be Rescued"!

We have an opportunity to reverse the damage to our field that has occurred over the years. Our new facilities director has developed a plan to address a variety of infrastructure issues including the care and maintenance of our fields. I am here today to ask board members to consider the proposed options to resurrect our fields and vote to incorporate into the Capital budget for Region 4. Let's put a plan in-place, that with time will restore our athletic fields to the level of our Shoreline competitors (Westbrook HS and LOLHS), will make our future athletes proud and safe to play on, and our community and even our competitors will praise. Thank you.

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