

## Facility/Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes – June 25, 2011

1. **Attendance:** Present were committee members Rodney Barnett, Klaire Purtee, C. William Rockwell, Jr. Ex-officio: Richard L. Bolin, board member; Benjamin Hollinger, superintendent; Keith Boyd, maintenance

2. **Parking Lots:** Mr. Hollinger presented a number of estimates to the committee.

He spoke to the drainage issue behind the STAR, Inc. building. One estimate would include extending the pavement and changing the grade and the buried tile to improve drainage. It would also allow the dumpster to have a paved pad.

Another estimate was to seal and stripe The Carousel Center lot. A third estimate was for the sealing and striping of the existing parking area behind VRS. Mr. Hollinger acknowledges that more estimates would have to be gathered. The initial estimates were to make sure the projects were all under the state limit of \$25,000. Projects over \$25,000 must go through the bidding process.

Mr. Hollinger said that in his past experience the superintendent was authorized to spend up to \$15,000 without additional Board approval if the purchase was within the budget. There is no similar guideline in place at Scioto County and he is uncomfortable spending large amounts without it.

Mr. Rockwell suggested that the discussion of spending limits be taken to the full Board.

There was some discussion on the particulars of the projects.

3. **STAR HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning)** – Mr. Boyd spoke to the nearly completed process of rearranging the air exchanges on existing units and explained that the four new units had to be ordered but are expected next week. He explained the workings of a water-sourced heat pump and gave some history of the repairs to the system.

There was also some discussion also on the nature of The Carousel Center's HVAC system.

4. **VRS Building** – Mr. Hollinger and Mr. Boyd had a series of photographs which illustrated issues with the 97-year-old Vern Riffe School building. There is a problem with the roof membrane pulling away from the sides of the building. There were also photos of problems with the façade including gaps in the masonry, flaking stone caps, stress fractures in mortar joints, cracked ledges, etc.

Mr. Hollinger said that he wants to open the conversation about the future needs of the program. Does the program intend to continue operating a school? If so,

where? Is it the Board's intention to preserve this building? Or, is it time to look for a newer facility?

A discussion ensued. The committee agreed that Mr. Hollinger should informally look for available facilities and bring that information back for the full Board to discuss.

**5. Meeting adjourned**

**Submitted by:**

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