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West Islip Public Schools

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Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting

Date: February 10, 2015
Time: 7:35 p.m.
Location: District Office Board Room

Members in attendance: S. Brady, K. O'Connor, R. Ulrich, B. Burns, W. Duffy, J. Bosse
Others in attendance: S. Gellar, A. LaRosa, R. Maginniss

1. Bond
 - a. The committee shared impressions of school tours recently conducted for the purpose of forming items for consideration in a bond proposal. Bayview and Bellew will be toured Wednesday, February 11.
 - b. Due to weather, the Udall and Oquenock tours have been rescheduled to February 26.
2. Facility fees
 - a. The committee reviewed the current fee structure of the High School Performing Arts Center to ensure that the district's personnel and equipment costs are covered for all events. Some events have resulted in a deficit for the district, and the committee will review the fee structure for the upcoming school year based on information provided by the Office of Buildings and Grounds.
3. Buildings
 - a. The high school intercom system is failing. Repairs are in progress, but it is possible that a new system may need to be purchased sooner than anticipated.
 - b. There are significant roof leaks at all buildings, and especially the high school, due to rain and melting ice. The roofs will need to be addressed in the bond.
4. Maintenance
 - a. The maintenance department, led by Mike Beckerman, has improved work order response times, building conditions, job coordination and overall communication. While much has been accomplished, many existing jobs and projects still need to be completed, in addition to daily maintenance work. However, the progress of the department is commendable.
5. Grounds
 - a. The recent snow storms were handled by our grounds, maintenance and custodial crews in the most expeditious manner possible. Their work in the rain, sleet and snow is appreciated.
 - b. Mr. Gellar received a call from Rocco Pepe of the West Islip Beautification Society requesting that the Board consider placing a community gazebo on the library property. This will be explored in future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.