

Voluntown Public Schools
November 7, 2022

To: Members of the 22-23 Building Committee for Small Projects
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From: Adam S. Burrows – Superintendent of Schools

Re: Building Committee Meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.
in the central office Board of Education meeting room

===== Agenda =====

1. Membership, Purpose of the Building Committee, and projected sequence of events
2. Minutes of the 10-18-22 and the 11-1-22 Building Committee Meeting (*Attached*)
3. Town Meeting on 10-20-22 approved submitting an HVAC grant application requesting \$170,000 with potential estimate of 60% reimbursement for “eligible” expenses for HVAC replacement projects. Brian Kallio and I have reviewed the following rough draft estimates of the projects:
 - White House \$21,800
 - VES Library \$12,500
 - Rooms 27 & 29 \$12,500 (Grade 4 and 3)
 - Rooms 36 & 38 \$12,500 (Kindergarten Classrooms)
 - Subtotal** \$59,300
 - Air Purifiers \$60,000
 - Project Manager \$19,000 (Includes Specs, RFPs, Bid, Grant Compliance, etc.)
 - Electrical \$11,000
 - Subtotal.....** \$149,300
 - Contingency (10%).... \$14,930
 - Total.....** **\$164,230** (Preliminary Cost Estimate)

Review progress with submitting the grant application
4. HVAC System for VES Gym (\$78,000 already deposited in ESSER III Grant Account
 - Initial Estimate \$68,000 (Units in the four corners of the gym)
 - Structural Engineer.....\$10,000 (Specs, RFP, Bid Process, etc.)
 - Total****\$78,000** (Additional Funds from 22-23 Budget, if needed)

Need three quotes
5. Video Surveillance:
 - Quotes from Verkada, Johnson & Johnson, and DEF are being sought.
 - Note from Brian Kallio: At this point we have 16 out of 32 cameras functioning and the majority of the cameras that are not operating are outside of the school. Do we want to put more money into this old system or start moving towards a newer one?
 - ESSER grant funds of **\$49,364.27** are available until 2024

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6. Security upgrade:

This will be addressed later (i.e., replacing doors)

ESSER grant funds of **\$29,115** for security are available until 2024.

Update of recent access problems

7. Telephones

*Mr. Burrows spent time after school to review what specifically happened with the telephones earlier today. There were difficulties transferring calls because of the older large telephone. It was mentioned the speaker does not work anymore, and they have had trouble connecting to some classrooms. APEX submitted a quote on October 4, 2022, quoting **\$2,820** for Project Management Services for a new phone system. According to Jim Ward, Tech Consultant, it is not the Comcast connections coming onto the school. Our problems are with the older equipment. Mr. Burrows was going to sign the project management contract with APEX to update the phones but delayed for a review by this Building Committee.*

Funds for this project (**Estimate of \$28,000**) come from the current 22-23 Bd. of Ed. budget.

Next steps to be implemented by the Building Committee

8. Other

9. Next meeting of the Building Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, November 29, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. in the central office.

Attachments:

- *Purpose of Building Committee as established by Board of Selectmen*
- *Minutes of the 11-1-22 Building Committee Meeting*

(ASB on 11-7-22)