



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes

Monday, June 27, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: S. Bambridge C. Ekenna
K. Fallis B. Foley
J. Gobeil D. Kejick
L. Ross

Also Present: D. Labossiere
M. Gustafson
S. Gilleshammer
J. Zilkey

Regrets: L. Letain
J. Murray

1. COMMITTEE ITEMS

A. J.R. Reid School – Boiler Replacement

Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer, spoke to this item, and reviewed his memo to the Committee. He noted that the general scope of this project involves replacing the existing steam heating system in its entirety including the steam boilers, baseboard heaters, wall heaters, fan coils, air handling units, make up air unit, piping, valves, controls and associated accessories with these space heating systems. The current scope of the project does not take into consideration the option of adding cooling to the school in the future. The funds allocated to the project by the Province at this time is only for heating. In consultation with the consultant and the Province, there is an opportunity at this time to modify designs and make the system ready for cooling.

As the initial scope of work in this project did not include cooling, budget increases need to be approved before changes are made to the design strategy. The Province currently does not have funding in place for this change and have indicated that this would need to be covered by the Division. The consultant has advised that the approximate cost to make the system ready for cooling is an additional \$100,000. The cost to add a functioning cooling system later, if the Division goes with the equipment ready for cooling now, is approximately \$250,000 to \$350,000 according to the consultant. However, if the Division puts the heating only system in and decides to go to cooling later, the cost to do so will double according to SMS Engineering, as the perimeter equipment would need to be removed and new fan coils would need to be installed.

Further, the Province indicated that there is only funding for one design for the system (heat or cooling) and not to design two options, hence the Division needs to make the decision if it will fund the additional costs to have the system ready for cooling. By making

the system ready for cooling, there may be opportunity in the future to apply for grants or access additional capital funds from the Province to install air conditioning in the school.

Trustees asked questions for clarification. The Committee agreed to the recommendation as presented, which was then brought forward as a late motion to the Regular Board meeting.

Recommendation:

That the amount of \$100,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the Steam Boiler System Replacement Project at J.R. Reid School to accommodate the ability for future cooling.

B. Review Monthly Reports (May)

The Reports for the month of May were provided for information.
The reports were accepted as circulated

C. Sub-Committee Reports

- Workplace Safety and Health – June 13, 2022 – Reviewed by Mr. Jon Zilkey, Assistant Superintendent

2. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

- The Secretary-Treasurer provided information on the following:
 - Maryland Park School – Modular Classroom Units
 - Vincent Massey High School - Interior Renovations – Student Services Programme Areas
 - Manitoba Education and Childhood Learning Correspondence:
 - Financial Review
 - Incremental Funding for Re-Engagement and Recovery Learning
 - News Release – Funding to Address Increased Learning Needs

Respectfully submitted,

K. Fallis