

**Minutes - RSU 13 – Facilities and Transportation Committee
September 3, 2013**

	Committee		Committee		Visitors
P	George Emery, Chair	P	Scott Vaitones	P	Tess Kilgour
P	Arvilla Collins	P	Scott Hall		
P	Christine Curtis	P	Todd Johnston		
P	William Pearce	P	Lewis Collins		
P	Present	A	Absent	E	Excused

Minutes

1. Review of summer projects

Overall the summer projects came out very well. We had some tremendous local vendors - McCormick Builders, Rock Coast Plumbing, SeaCoast Security, Pen Bay Glass and Alley Electric.

2. Status of roofing projects

The Certain Teed Premium shingle that was specified is a very high end shingle and should serve well for a long time.

All roofing jobs have been inspected by G & E Roofing. G & E Roofing has been contracted by both SAD 50 and SAD 5 for many years to inspect all the roofs and to do preventive maintenance on them. There is one concern by the inspector about one valley on Oceanside HS-w that he will be back to investigate further.

3. What's next for Facilities relating to school consolidations

a. Cafeteria options at Oceanside HS-east – Not discussed at this meeting

b. Freshman Academy wing – Not discussed at this meeting

c. Gilford Butler – Owls Head: Scott Vaitones has spoken with Bill Stockmeyer, an attorney at Drummond Woodsum, about the closing process. He said the proposal cannot go to the Dept. of Education until the Board takes action to identify where the students from Gilford Butler would be placed. If the placement meant an addition, that referendum would need to pass as a majority vote of the combined six towns.

It was agreed to host a couple of forums with S. Thomaston and Owls Head residents.

d. Middle Schools

Could merge next year at Rockland District Middle School and make it grades 5,6 & 7 then ultimately 6,7 & 8 when an addition was completed at Oceanside HS –east and at that point, the 5th grades would go back to their town schools.

Adding portables at Owls Head would not trigger bringing the building up to today's codes.

How many students was Rockland District Middle School built to accommodate?
- There are 18 regular classrooms at class sizes of 22 the school would accommodate about 400 students.

4. Status of the 5 year maintenance plan – Did not discuss at this meeting

5. Performance contracting with Siemens

George Emery met with Kris Anderson, who is doing the District-wide energy audit. Kris feels very strongly that the information he is developing will have a better payback than a performance contract with a company like Siemens or Honeywell.

Lew stated that as he understands performance contracts, the Company makes improvements to energy using systems and guarantees the District will save the cost of those improvements over the duration of the contract.

We need to look at Energy Maine offerings. And see what we might qualify for. Scott Vaitones to explore and to also talk with Larry Pritchett who was involved in the Rockland Public Library project.

6. First day back – busing

Todd Johnston reported that it has gone fairly well; loss of the 1/2 time secretary two weeks before the start of school has been a big blow. Some transfer buses were running behind.

One bus had a break caliper sticking and had to be towed in.

7. Bus / Van purchases

Scott Hall, Todd Johnston and Scott Vaitones recommend the purchase of one bus and use funds for the second bus to purchase 2 newer vans for student transportation. Funds for the vans would not fall under the DOE bus reimbursement.

It was suggested to include vehicles in the 5 year maintenance plan.

Facilities Committee will recommend to Board the change from bus to vans.

8. Other business

The Committee toured the Gilford Butler School.

Next Facilities at Oceanside HS – east

9. Adjourned at 7:24 PM