

The Board of Education Town of Vernon

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July 8, 2026

APPROVED MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING AD HOC 10-YEAR FACILITY STUDY & MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

A Vernon Board of Education Ad Hoc 10-Year Facility Study & Master Plan Committee meeting was held in-person at the Central Office Administration building on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

1.0 Call to Order

Mr. Grabowski called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Committee members present: Mr. Paul Grabowski, Mr. William Meier III, Mr. Mason Thrall, Mr. Steven Linton, Mrs. Anne Fischer, Mr. Josh Egan, Ms. Amy Ostien, Ms. Laura Bush, Ms. Maryann Levesque and Mr. Michael Colt III. Mr. Kevin Brown, Ms. Amanda Ruttenberg-Hakian, Ms. Lindsey Robbins and Ms. Allison Chaisson were absent.

Also present: Mr. Mark Winzler, Interim Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Angela Cahill and Ms. Marnie Liska of STV, Inc.

2.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3.0 MEP (Mechanical, Electrical & Plumbing) Projects Update

- **Rockville High School**
- **Vernon Center Middle School**

Angela Cahill of STV, Inc. provided a handout outlining the scope of work for HVAC work at VCMS and RHS and shared an initial cost estimate with the committee.

MOTION: Mr. Thrall moved to recommend to the Board of Education that the MEP scope of work for VCMS & RHS be included in the bond referendum.

SECOND: Ms. Levesque

VOTE: Unanimous

4.0 Community Outreach

- **Marketing Plan**

The committee discussed communication plans and use of Donovan Group to create information on the project.

5.0 Ad Hoc Timeline

The committee discussed the following timeline:

- August – Presentation to Board of Education
- September – Presentation to Vernon Town Council for Approval of Bonding Referendum
- October – Community conversation 2.0
- February – Town Referendum
- June 30, 2027 – Grant Submission to State of Connecticut

6.0 Due Diligence Items and Next Steps

Site Survey & Architect

7.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 PM

The committee will meet next on *August 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM*

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Colt, Board Secretary