

Facilities Committee Report – January 13, 2014

The Facilities Committee – Steve Mac Nish, Lynne Ridgeway and John Bickford - met with Tom Sloan, Merribeth Advocate and Chris Herron to review the status of Main Building and the Auditorium:

- The Auditorium Basement Asbestos Abatement Project has been completed on time and budget. The final paperwork is in process and a couple of minor details – replacement of a step removed to allow the removal of tile and the removal of some previously water-soaked sheetrock – will be accomplished by MHLS staff.
- The repainting of Business Office area and the repainting and carpet replacement in the Conference Room has been completed.
- The purchase and installation of commercial grade vinyl energy efficient windows for the Main Building and the parking lot repair and repaving await the decision on the state grants.

A number of future projects were discussed:

- The City of Poughkeepsie has informed MHLS that both buildings need to have check valves installed on their City water system inlet piping. Staff is working with our plumber to ascertain the requirements and costs of compliance.
- Staff will develop a comprehensive plan for facilities infrastructure maintenance, repair, upgrading and replacement, with specific consideration of the possible replacement of the auditorium furnace in the near future, the Main Building exterior repairs and painting, and the painting and relamping of the Main Building stairwells.
- Future renovation of the 2nd and 3rd floors to more closely match the needs of the MHLS.

Finally, the Facilities Committee agreed to schedule its Annual Physical Inspection and Review of MHLS Facilities in the fall, after the announcement of grant availability and prior to the grant submission deadline, in order to best evaluate the possible qualifying projects.

Submitted by Stephen Mac Nish, Facilities Committee Chair - January 13, 2014