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PY views online inventory system: School board gets look at Maintenance Connection

By AMANDA FOLTS/Finger Lakes Times
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PENN YAN - Director of Facilities Chuck Roach last night offered school board members a look at the online system the district uses to track maintenance of everything from light bulbs to buses.

The system, called Maintenance Connection, has been in use for the last two years. To illustrate how it works, Roach pulled up a page for a computer classroom, which in turn led to links for each computer, projector and switch in the room, showing a detailed history of maintenance and repairs that have been performed on each item.

The system was originally used for building maintenance but the transportation system was later included. Now, a detailed report can be viewed for each bus in the fleet. The information includes mileage, inspection dates, repair schedules and work orders, all of which are updated daily; as well as who did the repairs, when the repairs were completed, the parts used and the cost.

"This is something we can use as a reconciliation every year, so we know everything the district and the taxpayers pay for," said Roach.

Faculty can also access the system to alert the custodial staff to problems. For example, if a light bulb blows in a classroom, that teacher can log in to the system and send a report to the maintenance department, noting the priority of the repair. When the repair is complete, the teacher receives a verification e-mail with any additional comments about the work.

"I think it's helpful for the board to see this," Superintendent Ann Orman said. "You can see it really is all on schedule and documented - what is done and what needs to be done."

In other business, the board:

-- DONATIONS - Accepted donations for HUBBA (Helping Us Build Better Assets) for \$100 from the Penn Yan Elks Lodge, \$50 from the Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association and \$25 from Donna Alexander. A general donation of \$250 was made from Cellino & Barnes, P.C.

-- SURPLUS - Declared 22 folding lunch tables with attached seating as surplus and authorized Assistant Superintendent for Business Carolyn Benedict to dispose of them as she sees fit. Benedict said the tables cannot be donated because they are surplus, so she must set a price for them; those that are not sold will be taken to the dump.

-- VOTE - Noted Tuesday's voter approval of a capital project to replace the roofs at the elementary school and Academy and to remodel the Academy auditorium.

"I'd like to recognize the vote yesterday and thank the public for their support," board member Nancy Scher said.

The project was approved by a vote of 620-317.

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