



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Connecticut

Citywide School Building & Stewardship Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 10, 2022 via Zoom

I. Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 4:41 p.m. by Mr. Zinn.

Attendance: Mr. Giovanni Zinn, Chair, Mr. Matthew Wilcox Vice-Chair, Dr. Paul Whyte, Dr. Michael Finley.

Other: Mr. Thomas Lamb, Mr. Joseph Barbarotta, Atty. Elia Alexiades

There was discussion of updates to the committee members as some of the Aldermanic committees chairs have changed as well as a new City Plan director who took over for Ms. Woods. Updated Committee Members will need to be reviewed and appointed as needed to fill in vacancies within the committee.

II. Minute's Review (02.10.2022) The minute's approval are deferred to the next meeting, where a quorum is established.

III. Stewardship Report: Mr. Lamb presents the Stewardship Report.

- a. Video Surveillance & Access Control
We will continue discussing the video surveillance and access controls, which we will create a tracking document as we track the installations under the Security Grant mentioned in the previous meeting.
- b. Doors and Hardware
We are going to implement inspections for doors yearly to ensure proper access and functionality, to keep the issue front and center while progress is monitored closely. Several repair jobs are currently in the process of being remedied at this time. Some have required doors be ordered for the repairs, which will be delivered in approximately 6-8 weeks. We have a sole source provider through the City and they are reviewing and replacing the doors throughout the district.
- c. Long Term Facilities Study
There has been a small snag on the vendors part as the previous point person they assigned for our study has left Svigals for another opportunity. We have a meeting set with them next week to discuss how we can move forward and



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whom the project will be transferred to within their organization with the senior partners.

d. School Construction Program

There is an issue with the State office School Construction, their currently without a Director to sign off on final reports. Therefore, their reviews and processing are delayed due to their internal issues. But I will reach out regarding the status updates.

e. Capital Improvement Grants

Mr. Lamb states they are currently still awaiting materials for the filtration system they're on a boat from Italy somewhere on the way. Mr. Barbarotta explains the bottle fill stations; currently nine are installed as they have been received. Some require more work to be done if the units that are compatible with the connection but are larger than the previous fountains, which may include jack hammering the surrounding area to provide ample space for the unit. However, with school in session jackhammering cannot be done while classes in session. The hope is have at least one in every school by the end of April. As well as bottle provided can be utilized for the fountains once they are all in place.

f. School Infrastructure Project Planning

Domestic Hot Water Tank Replacements

Currently in the design phase and it will be put out to bid soon with the specifications provided by IES.

Domestic Hot Water Booster Pumps

These were approved by FO this past Monday and will be submitted for BOE final approval at the next scheduled committee meeting.

Heating Boiler System Replacement and Upgrade

The district is looking at engineering firms to develop the specifications, on different systems that across the district that need replacing. As of now, the larger of the schools is being prioritized.

Swimming Pools

Senior management and I discussed putting some pools on hold, we have about a million dollars' worth of needed repairs. Conte school being one of the pools which is placed on hold until more funding becomes available. Cross and Hillhouse pools are still in the works and will continue moving forward. Martinez pool is on hold due to the large amount needed for the dehumidification system is about \$400,000.00.



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g. Energy Management and Sustainability

The next group of schools have gone out to bid and will be awarded soon. I will provide to the chair Mr. Zinn for review and submit to Energy Committee for feedback as well.

h. Indoor Air Quality Program

The custodial engineers have been working on these throughout the district and has made a big difference. Especially with providing them with iPad so, they can take photos of the progress of the jobs they work on. Funding for this going forward must be discussed as currently these are funded via ESSER grant but once its exhausted we need another source of funds to continue the plans to continue the success of the district.

Mr. Wilcox asks regarding an update for the back door at Riverside if it has been looked into. Mr. Barbarotta states that they are currently trying to decide if it should be replaced or attempt to remediate the door. However, he will reach out to the school and see which was decided after the review.

Mr. Wilcox inquires if a Brennan Rogers work order was put in regarding the cameras in t the 7th & 8th grade hallway. As there is only has one in the area but they want an additional one added. Mr. Lamb states he will look to see if their school was on the list for the next security grant, and will follow up with Bill Zesner regarding it to see if there are other solutions available.

Mr. Zinn informs Mr. Lamb that resolution coming from the Climate activists community may be making its way to board of education. Which may include providing the district proposed sustainability plans going forward to aid the climate.

Adjournment: **On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Mr. Gormany to adjourn at 5:33 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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