



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Connecticut

Citywide School Building & Stewardship Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 14, 2022 via Zoom

I. Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 4:34 p.m. by Mr. Zinn.

Attendance: Mr. Giovanni Zinn, Chair, Mr. Matthew Wilcox Vice-Chair, Michael Gormany, Dr. Michael Finley, Jacob Robinson.

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

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

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

The district has been reviewing their leased properties for example Adult Ed and Gateway 54 Meadow St. Our lease for the eighth and first Floor of the Gateway building is currently a year-to-year lease. Therefore, some departments will be moved around over the next several months. We have started moving the Head Start department from Gateway 3rd FL to Celentano Observatory which is being fitted for them. There are racks of files on the eighth floor that need to be moved out of the floor. Special Education dept. will be boxing their files and getting the system ready for moving. The files will be moved to Wooster St.

We also looking at a manufacturing pathway that is going to create two computer labs and manufacturing space. Which is possible through the funding of a Rosa de Lauro grant. We are currently in the process of going through an architect to spec out what the space is going to look like. The program is going to be modeled after a similar one program designed in Hamden.

Some schools are having clock and bell issues, as some of those systems are at the end of their life or are no longer functioning properly. Therefore, those systems are going to be replaced under our current capital.

An outdoor garden space that were putting together at Mayo School, a group of volunteers will be doing most of the work, but facilities has ordered the materials needed to facilitate obtaining that goal. Mr. Wilcox asks if the garden area will be fenced in. Which is will be and the fencing company is donating their time to install the fencing.



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**IV. Stewardship
Report:
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- a. Video Surveillance & Access Control
We are currently on Round 5 of the School security grant. We have been awarded what we have asked for. In the report, it details a summary of what that entails and the schools in this round of upgrades.
- b. Doors and Hardware
Currently working on an inspection program with our custodial engineers on how we can quickly define what our issues are across the district. Having a program like this in place will allow the district to capture issues with the doors early enough for intervention. Mr. Barbarotta adds that the Wilco doors are the ones being replaced, which double doors are including the frame, which is why they are pricey.
- c. Long Term Facilities Study
The facilities and Svigals staff will go through site visits at several schools for detailed walkthroughs of MEP conditions. Once completed they will generate a entire report which will include not only assessments but other aspects of the project as facilities conditions, program planning for the district.
- d. School Construction Program
Not too many updates, as there is no movement with the State. Internally we are working with exec staff to obtain more support to conclude these open projects.
- e. Capital Improvement Grants
Alliance grant is paying for the work at Sound school Filtration. The parts from overseas have finally arrived; the staff has been getting together what is needed to get the system up and running within a month. The roof is still in the works but with the filtration system being the priority, this will be picked up soon. Esser is paying for the bottle fill stations that are being installed. See report for tracking document regarding installation status. Mr. Wilcox inquired regarding report of Water fountains if they are all off or select units? Mr. Barbarotta confirmed only select units, the hallway fountains were un-bagged once up and running.
- f. Summer Project Planning
The summer planning is currently underway and we are started to assist with develop what we're going to be doing this summer with the school buildings available to us for full access



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g. Energy Management and Sustainability

This section has taken on a larger role on how our projects are put together but also which projects will be prioritized. As well as review and putting together bids and potential for savings or reimbursements from utilities.

h. Indoor Air Quality Program

The custodial engineers and this program has been very successful. They have been able to quickly identify issues and recommend repairs for our vendors to complete to stay on top of the preventive maintenance needs of the systems in the district.

Adjournment: **Adjourned at 5:34 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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