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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting Date: August 2, 2021

Meeting Start Time: 6:15 PM

Members: Attendance:

Mr. Bruce Schubert, - Chair - Yes

Mr. Dan Barreiro - Yes Ms. Annette Johnson – Yes Mr. Steve Megazzini - Yes

Other Participants:

Dr. Jennifer Norrell, Jesse Vargas

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Public comments
- 3. 2021 Construction Projects
 - General Updates
 - EAHS Sprinkler Project
 - EAHS Roof Deck Repair
 - HVAC Projects
 - Field Report
 - Allowance Reduction
 - Schedule
- 4. Adventures Program
 - General Update
 - Field Report
 - Schedule
- 5. Barracuda Networks Backup Solution
- 6. E-rate Update for Wireless Upgrades (EAHS, SMS, CMS, WMS)
- 7. Resilience Education Center (REC) Update
- 8. Gonzalez Child Center (GCC) Dry Fire System Update
- 9. Early Childhood Center (ECC) HVAC Update
- 10. HVAC Maintenance Plans
- 11. Custodial Supplies 1 Year Contract Extension
- 12. Work Orders
- 13. Incident Report
- 14. New Business
- 15. Adjournment



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Public Comments/Questions
None

2021 Construction Projects General Update

Mr. Megazzini reported that all construction projects are moving forward and on target for beginning of school. Personnel are able to get back into buildings to prepare for the beginning of school. Mr. Schubert asked if buildings would be ready for the start of school. Mr. Megazzini responded that there were a couple of challenges at Waldo, including the fact that the boys' and girls' locker rooms and the multipurpose room will not be ready for start of school, but the gym will be ready.

Adventures Program General Update/Field Report/Schedule

Mr. Megazzini reported that the dry fire system main pipe was replaced, but that the branches off this pipe will need to be examined in the near future as they are experiencing difficulties with holding pressure. He reported that the Fire Chief approved the work and it passed inspection. Ms. Johnson asked when the building would be ready for use. Mr. Megazzini responded that the building should be ready for use after Labor Day, with inspections scheduled for the end of August. He reported that they are a bit behind, since some materials have been hard to get and the ceiling needs to be replaced following the work on the dry fire system. Mr. Schubert asked if Kane County would inspect and give occupancy numbers. Mr. Megazzini responded that Kane County issues permits for the projects and that they then inspect and give occupancy numbers at that time. He stated that the inspections for the HVAC projects would be August 12. Mr. Barreiro asked what was the difference between the ROE and City Inspectors. Mr. Megazzini responded that the City Inspectors are mostly through the Fire Department to make sure everything is up to code, and the ROE inspectors ensure that the building is safe and secure for student occupancy. Ms. Johnson asked when the Adventures Program would actually start. Dr. Norrell responded that the program would be started on time with the use of other facilities until the building is ready for use. Dr. Norrell stated that PreK would be remote and Gates would be used for Adventures until construction is finished.

Barracuda Networks Backup Solution

Mr. Megazzini reported that the Barracuda Backup System is a backup system that the district would like to implement. The system was recommend by our Insurance Broker to garnish better rates based on the safety and security of our system.

E-rate Update for Wireless Upgrades (EAHS, SMS, CMS, WMS)

Mr. Megazzini reported that the district was awarded payment for 85-90% of the update needed for that project.

Resilence Education Center (REC) Update

Mr. Megazzini reported that work has begun to look at the environmental aspects of that building with regards to asbestos cleanup and various other areas. He also reported that coordination with the architects has begun to create space needed for this program.

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Gonzalez Child Center (GCC) Dry Fire System Update

Mr. Megazzini advised that the main system passed the fire inspection and personnel will be able to get back into the building with both the dry and wet fire system intact.

Early Childhood Center (ECC) HVAC Update

Mr. Megazzini reported that the HG units in the building have had some challenge with motors/compressors burning out and needing to be replaced. A temporary solution is using a monitoring system that would be able to give an alert to avoid overuse/burnout of the compressors. Long term solution would be to work with the architect to replace the HG units with a roof top system similar to what is in the rest of the district.

HVAC Maintenance Plans

Research continues of current HVAC service plans for all of the units that have been purchased. Warranty information was included in the packets. Current agreements are coming to term so quotes are being obtained for continued service.

<u>Custodial Supplies 1 Year Contract Extension</u>

Mr. Megazzini advised that with the challenge of high prices for custodial supplies, an agreement was worked out with the vendor to extend the current contract for 1 year at the same prices. Mr. Megazzini is hopeful that better pricing will result when bidding for the contract is held in the spring 2022. Ms. Johnson asked when the prices were held from. Mr. Megazzini responded the original contract was for 2018-21.

Work Orders

Mr. Megazzini reported that there has been an uptick in work orders due to the fact that staff is coming back to the buildings, but personnel are still holding steady at completing the orders. He stated that the 7-day average is holding steady with the average around the country.

Incident Report

Mr. Megazzini reported that there was one incident of 2 vehicles being hit by a non-student/non-district employee in the parking lot at EAHS. A report was filed with the Aurora Police and the insurance company. Mr. Schubert inquired as to whether the incident was captured on surveillance. Dr. Norrell responded that it was and Aurora Police handled the situation.

New Business

Mr. Shubert requested a timeline of projects and updated estimated budget numbers from the architect on upcoming 2021-2022 capital improvement projects.

Meeting was adjourned 6:30 pm