

Buildings, Grounds & Safety Committee

Meeting Notes – September 22, 2022

Board Members Present: J. Hammer | E. Briamonte | L. Zhang

Administrators Present: M. Petrizzo, BA | S. Rogers, Asst. Dir of Plant Operations & Maintenance
| Lara Carducci, Dir of Transportation | J. DeWysockie, ABA

1. Multipurpose Turf Field Project Update

- The excavated soils were fully removed and deposited at the Indian Hill field site where it has been leveled and seeded.
- The new field subsurface is complete and ready for the artificial turf material which is scheduled to be shipped on September 29th.
- Our contractor anticipates delivery the first week in October and will begin installation at that time. The process of installation will take two weeks.
- The roadway leading up to the field was excavated, crushed stone applied and a base layer of asphalt installed. The final cover layer of asphalt will be poured and rolled after all equipment is removed from the new field area.
- The athletic department and facility scheduler are aware of these timelines and are planning accordingly to ensure the safest and most efficient use of our available sport fields.

2. District Facilities Update

- Summer Projects
- Indian Hill Playground area directly behind the school:
 - The poured rubber surfacing material has been completed and the students have already begun to utilize the new play area.
 - The B&G team will evaluate the rubber surfacing material over time to ensure that it blends properly with the surrounding asphalt paving material.

- Summer Cleaning - Summer cleaning projects at all four schools were successful, despite scheduling challenges related to referendum projects and additional in and out of district building use. Kudos to the maintenance, grounds and custodial teams for their hard work leading to a successful opening day.
- Five summers of referendum projects have come to an end with the completion of the Indian Hill Playground project. Additionally, there have been other summer projects completed as well. Thank you to the entire B&G department for all of their efforts to ensure all of these projects were completed timely in addition to completing the extensive summer cleaning schedules.

3. Transportation Services Update

The committee received an update regarding transportation and some of the challenges the district faced this year. In particular, 88% of the bus routes for the 22-23 school year were required to be re-bid (in comparison to 15% the previous year). All transportation services were secured, after multiple bids and negotiation efforts. A long-time contractor of the district did not bid on any of the routes this year which led to not only new contractors and new routes, but new drivers driving new routes. Additionally, due to the ongoing driver shortages, our transportation contractors are deploying CDL licensed sub-drivers (including company owners, office staff/mechanics) to ensure all district routes are covered. Dr. Cascone will be sending out correspondence to the community detailing the challenges that were faced along with expectations moving forward from the community and district personnel. Thank you to the entire transportation department for all of their efforts in making sure the district secured routes for this school year.

4. Policy Review

The committee was provided an overview of the following revised policies that are included on the 9/28/22 agenda for first reading:

Policy 7410 – Maintenance Repair (M) (Revised)

Regulation 7410.01 –Facilities Maintenance, Repair Scheduling and Accounting (M)
(Revised)

5. Date and Time of next Committee Meeting: 10/20/22 at 5:00 PM