

# Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORT

July 13, 2023

# **Fiscal Planning & Operations**

The Fiscal Planning and Operations Committee met on June 13, 2023, to discuss maintenance project, capital projects, the Energy Savings Improvement Program, and more.

### **Maintenance Summer Projects**

 The committee reviewed the list of projects to be completed and managed by staff this summer and into the 2023-2024 school year.

### **Facility Capital Projects**

- Generators Fence installation is ongoing.
- HVAC Upgrades #1 H&S Mechanical began disconnecting existing HVAC rooftop units and loading new units at Schor, King, and Arbor schools. Installation and connections should be completed by the end of July.
- Water Cooler replacements The water coolers were purchased by the District and are on-site and work is underway. The contract was awarded to William Kohl Construction.
- Paving Projects Due to scheduling concerns with the start of school, the projects planned for this summer were scaled back to include: concrete replacement at Conackamack, side lot repaving and concrete replacement at Quibbletown, and driveway repaving and sidewalk addition at Schor. Contracts will be on the July 13 Board agenda.
- Preschool Facilities Expansion –The application was submitted by the May 31 deadline.

### **Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP) Update**

 HVAC rooftop unit installations are beginning at PHS and King. Power shutdowns and transformer installations are under way at Conackamack, Quibbletown, PHS and King. Windows for the PHS window replacement are scheduled to arrive in August.

### **Transportation Update**

The Preschool routes are under review to identify efficiencies. Mr. Oliveira discussed the concept of centralized stops as a means to decrease transportation costs. The renewal of at least five preschool routes with Layla will be recommended at the July 13 Board meeting.

### **Food Services Update**

- A renewal contract with Sodexo for food services management for the 2023-2024 school year was agreed with only a 2 percent increase.
- A contract was awarded for the upgrade of service line equipment in the kitchens at Conackamack, Eisenhower, Knollwood, and King.
- The Committee reviewed the accrued food service negative account balance amounts and agreed to revisit the issue in September. The Committee discussed some pending legislation that impacts the food service program.

### **New Jersey School Business Legislative Update**

 Bill A4835, which would eliminate the requirement for a CDL to transport students in "small" vehicles, is being discussed by the the Assembly Labor Committee.

## **Business Office Update**

 Investment Account – The Committee reviewed the May 2023 NJARM statement. The term investment matured on June 9, and the Committee authorized Mr. Oliveira to roll the investment into another 90-day term.