

FACILITIES MEETING MINUTES ⁱ

New Bedford Public Schools
Paul Rodrigues Administration Building
455 County Street, Room 119
New Bedford, MA 02740

Facilities Subcommittee Meeting
February 6, 2020
5:30pm – 6:00pm

Present: Mr. Bruce Oliveira, Mr. Joshua Amaral, Mr. John Oliveira
Also in attendance: Mr. Andrew O'Leary, Mr. Al Oliveira

The meeting commenced at 5:30 pm.

The minutes from the January 9, 2020 Facilities Subcommittee Meeting were reviewed. Voted unanimously on a motion by Mr. Amaral and seconded by Mr. Bruce Oliveira to approve the minutes.

Mr. Al Oliveira presented the January - June 2020 (pilot program) Facilities Rental Fees Report to the Committee.

Mr. Al Oliveira discussed the ballfield project at the Parker Street site and the Committee remarked that it appears to be proceeding well.

Mr. Al Oliveira described ongoing projects and provided the Committee with a copy of his update to the superintendent, his mid-level projects update, and the School Dude printouts. Mr. Al Oliveira discussed how in future meetings, the School Dude progress chart will be used for the first time to better give the Committee an understanding of work orders and the completion rate.

Mr. Al Oliveira discussed a need to hire an official plumber which may be coming before the School Committee shortly.

Mr. Al Oliveira presented a Rental Waiver from the Bay State Girls Softball League. Mr. John Oliveira confirmed that rental waivers would not be presented to the committee.

Mr. O'Leary presented a Contract Lease Cancellation Letter dated February 3, 2020 from Assistant Superintendent Andrew O'Leary to the Bay Sox. He discussed the outstanding invoices owed by the Bay Sox. Mr. O'Leary noticed that he had sent two letters and several emails to the Bay Sox. The letters were returned. The Bay Sox's general manager said that the address was not in use and has responded via email asking to set up a meeting to discuss what is owed by the Bay Sox organization to the School Department. Mr. O'Leary noted that the contract with the Bay Sox is no longer in force at this point.

Mr. O'Leary discussed School Construction/MSBA Updates as of February 6, 2020 from Dr. Barry Rabinovitch, NBPS School Construction Facilitator. Mr. O'Leary discussed the Locker Room Project at New Bedford High School. Mr. O'Leary discussed how any proposed trainer's room work will need to be put on hold as change orders were processed when additional hot water tank problems, unanticipated, were discovered by the contractor. The inability of the hot water tanks to provide adequate water at an adequate temperature required repair before inspection approval would be in place. Therefore, an engineering report was commissioned to find the source of the problem which eluded the contractor and the high school custodial and maintenance staff. The problem now appears to be resolved and final payments are required for this anticipated work. Mr. O'Leary reviewed the departmental and school dispensed spend down and appeared satisfied with the spending to date.

Voted unanimously on a motion by Mr. Bruce Oliveira and seconded by Mr. Amaral to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.


Al Oliveira
Director of Facilities

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