

Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District
Board of Education – Special Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2017 – Board Room

Present: Christopher Wolff, President, Anne Capeci, Vice President; and Trustees Carolee Brakewood, Thomas Corbia and James Dreves

Also Present: Dr. Edward Klizus, Superintendent, Joseph Durney, Deputy Superintendent, Maura McAward, Assistant Superintendent, Lisa Zareski, Treasurer, Board counsel Frank Sisca and legal assistant Tom Kain, Joseph Fuller and Frank DeFato from Fuller D'Angelo Architects, and Will Recce Construction Manager

Call to Order

Mr. Wolff called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Wolff introduced today's meeting and cued Ms. McAward to begin the conference call with bond counsel.

Ms. McAward discussed moving funds from currently budgeted projects to fund PCMs emergency. Funds would be redirected from previously designated microfiche transfer, PCMS bridges and Edison railings.

Ms. McAward called in to Dan Birmingham Bond Counsel, who proceeded to explain the "reimbursement resolution", on which the board will vote on November 14, 2017. This resolution preserves the right for the board to reallocate funds from the existing bond or to post a new bond; it is a "statement of intent". A reallocation of bond funds or new bond proposal require a public vote for approval. The board still can create a new bond proposal to fund the Middle School reconstruction. Such a proposition facilities tax exempt purchases and reimbursement to the general fund for emergency reconstruction costs.

The superintendent briefly described the makeup day schedule incorporated into the school calendar, which will appear for consideration on the November 14 agenda.

Joe Fuller began discussion of the permanent reconstruction solution at PCMS. Options include:

1. Removing panels only
2. Removing panels and replacing windows \$5.9M, and \$1.6M for emergency costs (includes rental costs) – note savings in utility costs when updating windows.
3. Replacing unit ventilators or not. #2 plus new unit ventilators \$10.2M. New unit ventilators would bring reduced costs as well.
4. Replacing unit ventilators with combination heat/ac units. \$11.8M.

There was a suggestion to considering "lopping off" panel horizontal surfaces – this is not recommended as it could endanger adjacent structures including windows.

It was noted that only 6 of the possible 10 anchors were used on the panel that fell and 5/8' bolts were used. Some concrete structures in which the panel was anchored were in questionable condition.

The general consensus from the board is for the architects to develop plans for the aforementioned option 3. Building aid is expected on the reconstruction plan.

3. Discussion of PCMS Emergency Mitigation and Permanent Reconstruction

- A. Reallocation of 2017-2018 Budget Appropriations to fund the Temporary Emergency Reconstruction
- B. Reimbursement Resolution

4. Adjournment 1:28 p.m.