

# **District Parent Council Meeting Minutes: 12/4/23**

**Attendees:** District parent council attendees: N.Romeo, A.Lawton, K.Lawton, K.Georgi, S.Cupelli- Deputy Superintendent AECSD, E.Krell, C.Siddall (Herman), A.Mahunik-Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, J.Pirozzolo-Superintendent AECSD

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## **Presentors:**

CNS Construction Managers: Sean Dollaway, Project manager

Rob Gray-project manager

Eric Franciso:Director of Facilities

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## **Agenda: Capital Project**

Project managers Sean Galloway, Rob Gray and Eric Francisco presented on the capital project going on in AECSD. Safety , security, and air conditioning were the primary objectives of the project.

Vestibules secured at all elementary schools except Seward. Air conditioned one wing of each elementary building. Finishing sequence 1, 2: replace the failing piping system that served heating and cooling.

Sequence 3: The goal of this portion of the project was to replace all roof top units.

Focus is to improve air quality, classroom comfort, etc.

Phase 2: Seward parking lot: minimizing congestion, streamlining pickup. Sidewalks, parking lot will be repaved and new pathway to parking lot for pickup/drop off to ensure the safety of students at drop off and pick up. The new parking lot will accommodate up to 100 cars.

Sargent Gilfus (trafficking APD) will be working on police directing traffic.

Seward's playground also was updated to ensure safety.

Phase 2 high school: The main goal for high school was to repair and replace the failing bus loop drive and in the faculty parking lot and failing sidewalks.

AJHS: secured vestibule, main office renovation, boiler rebuild, and air conditioning 1,2,floors 7th and 8th grade wing.

Owasco playground upgrade.

Jeff Pirozzolo spoke about the next capital project: building conditions survey has to be done every 5 years (BCS survey). The project managers and Eric survey staff/faculty and prioritize what is needed to be done. There is a 3 year lag from BCS to community voting on the projects. The BOE members on the facilities committee will begin meeting with administration to work on building needs based on BCS reports. Focus on future projects will be AJHS. Steam heat will need to be replaced with electric and partial air conditioning.

Also, classrooms that are undersized will need to be right-sized by NYS guidelines.

Google forms will be sent to faculty /staff in the future inquiring of building needs.

Building renovations will not impact school for students.

Discussion of the increase of the cost of supplies.

Discussion of material on the playground surface.

AECSD community pays 16 cents on the dollar for capital improvements. The district saves millions of dollars with capital project improvements. It behooves Auburn district to have capital projects ongoing.

Questions about the path from North Herman to Herman Avenue Elementary School.

***Next DPC meeting:***

**Monday, January 8, 2024**

*Time:* 6:30-7:30

*Topic:* Parent Engagement

*Location:* **Tubman Administration Building, Thornton Avenue  
BOE room**