

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

August 11, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of School

Subject: Fiscal Management Committee (FMC-06-21-2021-01, -02, -04)

During the Fiscal Management Committee Meeting discussion, Board members requested the following information:

Question 01

Mrs. O'Neill requested a comparison between the original initiative on installing water bottle filling stations, which was championed by Ms. Ortman-Fouse two years ago and its status. The Fiscal Management Committee would like the comparison to include a specific list of MCPS schools along with type of water bottle filling stations (filtered, non-filtered).

Response

The proposed 2018 water bottle filling station initiative consisted of a funding request to add two fixtures to all schools that had not received stations during previous major construction projects or through Parent and Teacher Association funding initiatives. The bid process included pricing for both filtered and non-filtered options. However, due to lack of funding support at the County Council level, this bidding exercise was not pursued. The number of schools with filling stations during this funding request was 39. Although this funding request was not approved, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) continued to install water bottle filling stations through major construction work and routine water fountain replacement work, as well as supporting individual schools in their purchase of new stations. From 2018 to date, an additional 75 schools have received filling stations.

The most current bid process has approved multiple contractors to install filling stations throughout MCPS schools to achieve a baseline of two filling stations per school. This work includes the 93 schools that currently do not have filling stations as well as installing an additional fixture at schools where there is one filling station. All new units will include filters and filter indicators. Previously installed units without the filters will receive filter retrofit kits.

Question 02

Mrs. O'Neill asked that the Department of Facilities Management provide a report on those non-MCPS funded facility enhancements and improvements completed at each school.

Response

Board of Education Policy CNE, *Facility Improvements That Are Not Funded with Montgomery County Revenues*, requires that a report be provided to Board members regarding the projects approved under this policy. This report was presented as an information item at the July 15, 2021, Board meeting. A copy of the report is attached (Attachment A). A detailed description of the non-MCPS funded facility enhancements and improvements completed at each school is noted for each project in Attachment B.

Question 04

Mrs. O'Neill suggested that Board members receive a breakdown of cell tower revenue and the amount provided to each school.

Response:

The requested breakdown of cell tower revenue and the amount financed to each school is provided in Attachment C.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Eugenia S. Dawson, chief of finance and operations, Office of Finance and Operations, at 240-740-3050, or via email at Eugenia_S_Dawson@mcpsmd.org, or Mr. Seth P. Adams, director, Department of Facilities Management, at 240-314-1000, or via email at Seth_P_Adams@mcpsmd.org.

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Attachments

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Mr. Adams

Ms. Webb

INFORMATION

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
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July 15, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Update on Facility Improvement Projects Approved Under Policy CNE, Facility Improvements That Are Not Funded with Montgomery County Revenues

Board of Education Policy CNE, *Facility Improvements That Are Not Funded with Montgomery County Revenues*, requires that a report be sent to the Board of Education regarding the projects approved under this policy. The following projects have been approved and funded by the listed organizations during Fiscal Year 2021:

School	Project Description	Funded By	Amount
Argyle Middle School	Digital Sign	Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Private Donation and Independent Activity Fund (IAF)	\$10,000.00
James Hubert Blake High School	Digital Sign	IAF	\$14,000.00
Bradley Hills Elementary School	Buddy Bench	PTA Private Donation	\$1,058.00
Burning Tree Elementary School	Digital Sign	PTA Private Donation	\$31,343.80
Winston Churchill High School	Pressbox Sign	PTA Private Donation	\$3,000.00
Winston Churchill High School	Interior Signage	PTA Private Donation	\$10,246.00
Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School	Free Little Library	PTA Private Donation	\$626.83

School	Project Description	Funded By	Amount
Gaithersburg High School	Scoreboards	IAF	\$18,009
Garrett Park Elementary School	Bench	PTA Private Donation	\$800
Richard Montgomery High School	Bench Installation	PTA Private Donation	\$175
Thomas W. Pyle Middle School	Digital Sign	IAF	\$35,428
Sherwood Elementary School	Gaga Ball Pit	PTA Private Donation	\$3,500
Sargent Shriver Elementary School	Painting of Media Center	IAF	\$300

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School	Project Description	Funded By	Amount	Comments
Argyle Middle School	Digital Sign	Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Private Donation and Independent Activity Fund (IAF)	\$10,000.00	Total cost of the digital sign and electrical connections was \$29,792. The school contributed \$10,000 toward the total cost.
James Hubert Blake High School	Digital Sign	IAF	\$14,000.00	Total cost of the digital sign was \$26,456. The school contributed \$14,000 toward the total cost.
Bradley Hills Elementary School	Buddy Bench	PTA Private Donation	\$1,058.00	Request was for a Buddy Bench for the Kindergarten playground.
Burning Tree Elementary School	Digital Sign	PTA Private Donation	\$31,343.80	Total cost of the digital sign and electrical connection was \$28,393.41. Pricing was revised after information item was submitted. The school funded the entire amount.
Winston Churchill High School	Pressbox Sign	PTA Private Donation	\$3,000.00	“Home of the Bulldogs” sign with mascot installed on pressbox.
Winston Churchill High School	Interior Signage	PTA Private Donation	\$10,246.00	Hallway, common area, and individual room signs, as well as school map signage.
Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School	Free Little Library	PTA Private Donation	\$626.83	Double-door little free library for school and community use.
Gaithersburg High School	Scoreboards	IAF	\$18,009	Replacement of baseball and softball scoreboards.
Garrett Park Elementary School	Bench	PTA Private Donation	\$800	Bench purchased by Grade 5 class in honor of lives lost in the pandemic.
Richard Montgomery High School	Bench Installation	PTA Private Donation	\$175	Installation of pre-purchased bench to recognize the Class of 2021.
Thomas W. Pyle Middle School	Digital Sign	IAF	\$35,428	This amount actually funded by residual Furniture & Equipment funding from the addition construction project. IAF was stated in error.
Sherwood Elementary School	Gaga Ball Pit	PTA Private Donation	\$3,500	Installation of a gaga ball pit, which is an outdoor octagonal shaped court for a multi-player ball sport.
Sargent Shriver Elementary School	Painting of Media Center	IAF	\$300	Painting of media center to brighten the space. Work to be performed by Operations and Maintenance Service Center.

Real Estate Management (REM) Fund
 FY 2021 Cell Tower Commission Revenue Sharing
 May 26, 2021

CLUSTER SCHOOLS	Shared Amount	REM Amount	Site Total
<u>Captain James Daly ES</u>	\$ 11,960.20	\$ 5,980.10	
Clarksburg ES	1,594.70	797.35	
Little Bennet ES	1,594.70	797.35	
Cedar Grove ES	797.35	398.68	
Clarksburg HS	1,594.70	797.35	
Fox Chapel ES	1,594.70	797.35	
Wilson Wims ES	797.35	398.68	
Rocky Hill MS	1,594.70	797.35	
Hallie Wells MS	797.35	398.68	
Snowden Farm ES	797.35	398.68	
William B Gibbs ES	797.35	398.68	
			\$ 35,880.68
<u>Col Zadok Magruder HS</u>	\$ 11,889.47	5,944.74	
Mill Creek ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Candlewood ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Cashell ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Flower Hill ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Redland MS	1,486.18	743.09	
Judith A Resnik ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Sequoyah ES	1,486.18	743.09	
Shady Grove MS	1,486.18	743.09	
			\$ 35,668.37
<u>Sherwood HS</u>	\$ 41,556.04	20,778.02	
Olney ES	5,936.58	2,968.29	
Belmont ES	5,936.58	2,968.29	
Rosa Parks MS	5,936.58	2,968.29	
Greenwood ES	5,936.58	2,968.29	
Sherwood ES	5,936.58	2,968.29	
William H Farquhar MS	5,936.58	2,968.29	
Brooke Grove ES	5,936.58	2,968.29	
			\$ 124,668.15
<u>Tilden MS</u>	\$ 24,174.22	12,087.11	
Ashburton ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Luxmanor ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Kensington-Parkwood ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
North Bethesda MS	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Walter Johnson HS	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Wyngate ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Farmland ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
Garrett Park ES	3,021.78	1,510.89	
			\$ 72,522.69
<u>Watkins Mill HS</u>	\$ 31,786.09	15,893.05	
Whetstone ES	5,779.28	2,889.64	
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Montgomery Village MS	5,779.28	2,889.64	
Stedwick ES	5,779.28	2,889.64	
Neelsville MS	2,889.64	1,444.82	
South Lake ES	5,779.28	2,889.64	
			\$ 95,358.20
Cluster School Distribution	\$ 242,732.05	\$ 121,366.03	\$ 364,098.08