

CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 – 7:00pm

MEETING NOTES

Chairperson: Lisa Saidel

Committee Members: Eric Goodwin (absent), Ben Ovadia, Carol Matlack and Laurie Neary

Administrative Liaison: Dr. Joseph Meloche, Lynn E. Shugars

In attendance: John Middleton

Building Review-

During strategic planning meetings for the rest of the school year, the committee will highlight school buildings at each meeting to review work that has been done in the buildings during the past two years, is currently being done in the building, and needs to be done in the immediate future. The following three buildings were highlighted.

- a) Johnson
- b) Kilmer
- c) Knight

The presentations will be used as informational materials as referendum development continues.

Schedule for remaining Strategic Planning Meetings for building reviews:

- a) January 7, 2020 – Beck, Paine, Sharp
- b) February 4, 2020 – Carusi, Stockton
- c) March 3, 2020 – Rosa, Cooper
- d) May 5, 2020 – West
- e) June 2, 2020 – East

Strategic Planning Process Update –

Dr. Meloche provided an update on the Strategic Planning process that the District has embarked on. Surveys for students, parents, staff and community members should be released shortly and will need to be completed by January 3, 2020. Letters will go out shortly inviting a core representative team to spend time together on January 14 and 15 to review and compile forum and survey data. This team will consist of Board members, administrators, staff members, parents, students and community members. This work will be used to “inform” the Board, but ultimately, the Board will need to take action on the final strategic plan.

Public Comment –

Members of the public commented on accessibility at the elementary schools, capacity of students at Kingston, indoor play spaces for students on inclement weather days, using special education terms when discussing special education programs.

Board Goals

- **Continue to improve student achievement at all grade levels for all students and decrease achievement gaps where they exist.**
- **Create a cost-effective budget that provides for educational resources as well as preventive maintenance and ongoing facilities improvement in all schools.**
- **Enhance communication and relationships with internal and external stakeholders.**
- **Create an actionable plan to develop a bond referendum to address building infrastructure, security, and health & safety needs.**