

## Facilities/Transportation Committee

Date	Start	End	Next Meeting	Next Time
September 21, 2021	6:30 PM	8:30 PM	TBD	TBD

### Attended By

**Board Members:** T. Walsh, P. Badger, A. Ginsburg, J. Antonio, M. Bleefeld, Z. Karagiannakis  
**WSD Members:** J. Crisfield, D. Hey, D. Mwenyewe, G. Moore, K. Seifert, L. Blair, B. Bauer, J. Cairnes, W. Coleman  
**Public:** Mr. William Murray

### Summary of Meeting

#### PUBLIC

Mr. William Murray, an Ambler resident, expressed concerns regarding Brookside Avenue area flooding as a result of the storms brought by IDA. A presentation will be brought forth to the Committee during the October 4, 2021 Board Meeting.

#### FACILITIES

##### High School Turf Project

The Committee reviewed four (4) layout options, provided by D'Huy Engineering, Inc. for the installation of synthetic turf athletic fields at the High School.

Mr. Cairnes suggested implementing Option #1, which gives more versatility for school and community athletic events.

##### Middle School Area Conversion

The Committee reviewed the Feasibility Study provided by Breslin Ridyard Fadero Architects, which included two (2) conversion options for the former Middle School natatorium space.

Mrs. Bauer concentrated her discussion on the six (6) classroom option, due to the Middle School's increasing enrollment.

##### High School & Middle School Traffic Issues/Traffic Engineering Study

Mr. Coleman discussed the growing traffic concerns on Houston & Dager Roads during HS/MS arrival and dismissal times.

A recommendation will be brought to the Board to secure McMahon Associates, traffic engineers, for a traffic study.

##### Transportation Bus Drivers: Long Term and Short-Term Solutions Needed

Due to the national shortage of CDL drivers, Mr. Coleman proposed possible ideas to increase interest in obtaining additional school bus drivers, short and long term.

#### YMCA

The YMCA Before/Aftercare program in the elementary schools continues to have a wait list due to unfilled staffing needs.

**Facility Rentals: No outside entity rentals for indoor programs**

Due to COVID, outside organizations will not be permitted to use indoor district facilities for non-student based programs at this time.

**HEPA Filters**

Mr. Coleman updated the Committee of the recently purchased portable HEPA Air Purification Systems placed in school nurses' offices, and large space areas, i.e. cafeterias and gymnasiums, and noted that we are not moving forward with additional purchases for classrooms at this time.