Concord School District  
Capital Facilities Committee

**School Board Committee:** Capital Facilities  
**Date:** July 18, 2018  
**Committee members present:** Jim Richards, *chair*, Nathan Fennessy, Pam Wicks, Liza Poinier  
**Other Board member(s) present:** Maureen Redmond-Scura, Clint Cogswell, Tom Croteau  
**Administration:** Terri Forsten, *Superintendent*, Matt Cashman, *Director of Facilities and Planning*

The Capital Facilities school tour was held at the former Eastman School building. The agenda was an overview of the former Eastman School building (see attached data sheets that were shared with the group)

Jim Richards opened the meeting. Matt Cashman explained the purpose of the meeting was to become familiar with the former Eastman School building. He provided a tour of the interior of the building.

A general information packet was given to all members present, indicating building specifications. This packet also included a review of the visible wear that will need to be repaired/replaced in order to bring the facility up to current ADA and safety standards. As the tour progressed, the potential for maintaining the former Eastman School building for potential need for additional classrooms in the District arose, due to the implementation of full-day kindergarten. Superintendent Forsten indicated a demographic study and a transportation study are in process.

Currently, the former Eastman School building is used for professional development roughly 10 times per year. As of June 1, 2018, Concord Boys and Girls Club began renting the former Eastman School building for its annual summer program. They are using all classrooms in the building, then in late August, their rental will reduce to four classrooms.

At the conclusion of the tour, Mr. Cashman gave a brief overview of the status of summer work projects. Mr. Richards spoke to the group about the decision that will be made regarding how to utilize the former Eastman School building, considering the costs involved in its repair and update.

There was a request for an update on “the Stable” building, located in the high school student parking lot. The Facilities Committee had heard from Meryn Bagan, President of the Abbot-Downing Historical Society, with an interest in gaining the Stable as a possible museum to showcase the Society’s Concord Coach collection. Superintendent Forsten
reported that she has not had further conversations with Mr. Bagan or his group since the Capital Facilities meeting on April 4, 2018.

Clint Cogswell shared with those present that Jennifer Patterson, who represents District B (Wards 5, 6, 7) will be moving from her current residence in the coming weeks. It is Ms. Patterson’s intent to remain a Concord resident and, therefore, she would like to remain on the Board through the fall elections. Liza Poinier recommended that the Board create a press release to inform the public of the change. Ms. Patterson was not present for this conversation. There will be further conversation at the School Board meeting on August 6.

The Committee voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting (motioned by Nathan Fennessy, second by Pam Wicks).

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Richards, Chair
MC/DS, Recorders