

**PROPOSED 2019 CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE**

***Fifth Meeting: Media Release 6/19/19***

The fifth meeting of the Hancock Central School District Facilities Review Committee was held at 3 p.m. June 11 at the District Administration Office. Committee members, the Clerk of the Works, the Architect and District Administration attended.

The meeting focused on reviewing plans for safety and security throughout the District.

John Mauro's PowerPoint presentation titled "Safety and Security Review, Audit and Assessment, Hancock Central School District" highlighted key components in the proposed Capital Project. His presentation reviewed the initial data-gathering phase that includes a site review, buildings walk-through, entryways, travel routes, emergency plan review, audit and assessment of plan and training and drills.

From this initial data-gathering, John recommended further study, modifications and revisions with regard to exterior entry doors; the main entrance at the high school; one main point of entry; securing ground-level windows; classroom doors and locks; emergency lockdown system with cross-corridor doors; communications system; mental health; additional cameras; visitor screening process; implementation of school resource officer program; vehicle traffic during response action; training, second shift and weekend concerns; staff identification badges; and strengthening community awareness.

The Design Team has included the following scope items for review in the Capital Project documents:

- Hardening exterior entry doors
- Revising to secure main entrance at high school
- Creating a second controlled entry point (in addition to the District Administration entrance)
- Hardening ground level windows
- Providing emergency lockdown system with cross-corridor doors
- Providing additional cameras/intrusion detection at ES, MS/HS and Bus Garage
- Providing emergency lockdown and evacuation notification system

The committee will meet again to review additional elements of the project, including the STEM component, the public library, hazardous materials, and then costs.

The primary focus of the Capital Project still includes the elements of safety and security, technology, fiscal responsibility, and maintaining a quality educational environment for students and staff. The District is targeting a fourth-quarter public vote for the Capital Project.

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