

**SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
SHERMAN, CONNECTICUT 06784  
**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FACILITY REPAIR AND RENOVATION - JANUARY 18, 2022**  
**LMC**  
**7:00 PM**

A Special Committee on Facility Repair and Renovation meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Vogt at 7:00 PM on January 18, 2022 at The Sherman School.

**1. PRESENT**

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| For the Board:     | Mr. Laughlin and Mr. Vogt                                        |
| Administration:    | Dr. Melendez and Mr. Lombardozzi                                 |
| Committee Members: | Joel Bruzinski, Joe Viola, Christian Decunha, and David Febbraio |

**2. DISCUSSION**

**2.1. Discussion of Facility Repair and Renovation Needs**

The Committee discussed the space needs for the school.

The committee reviewed illustrative floor plan options for the facility and possible layout options for the school which had taken into account the ideas previously discussed at the last meeting. Committee members agreed that the layout captured the needs discussed and was a good starting point to provide better direction moving forward.

The committee discussed that the need for architectural and engineering services were immediate. Materials and labor constraints due to the current supply chain shortages have caused major delays and it is important to start the planning process as quickly as possible. The options to issue a Request For Proposals to engage new architects versus using the architects previously hired were discussed. It was determined that the time and added cost of starting with a new architect was not prudent. The recommendation was that the school engage either Tecton or Friar, two firms who have previous experience with the building, to design and cost estimate the plan created by the committee. It was decided that a meeting should be set up with those architects so the committee can ask them questions.

The short term goals of the committee were discussed. The two primary goals decided on. The first was to fix a portion of the roof which is leaking over several classrooms with a full roof replacement, and perform in house temporary patching of other areas until they can be addressed during a comprehensive project. The second goal is to install a water filtration system to address the issues which are damaging the mechanical systems in the facility. This system would be step one to set up the future ability to install the fixtures needed for potable water for students. It was determined that if possible the architects engaged to create the conceptual drawings of the school plan would concurrently create the design and engineering necessary to put these two short term projects out to bid with the goal of summer completion. It was acknowledged that with the current supply chain issues it still may not be possible to get it

completed in the summer. More exploration was necessary to determine exact timelines.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Vogt  
Chair, Special Committee on Facility Repair and Renovation  
Sherman Board of Education