

## Facilities Report for Brookings School Board: October 15, 2024

The boiler replacement project at BHS is moving forward. Contractors met on-site on September 4 to tour the school and become familiar with the scope of the project ahead. Bids have been received by Johnson Controls and a meeting is scheduled for October 9 to present budget numbers for the project.

Asbestos removal will be a necessary part of the boiler project. Sno Environmental was on-site and will provide a cost proposal for the asbestos removal. Sno Environmental has worked with the district for many years in the past performing required inspections and help with other asbestos removal as needed.

Work continues to determine necessary maintenance and potential repairs/replacement of equipment in the pool area at BHS. MC & R Pools and Associated Pool Builders have been on-site so far. I have reached out to Aqua Logic Pools in Waconia, MN as well. I plan to provide recommendations to the board based on information from pool contractors on next steps for the BHS pool. The handicapped lift at the pool needed a new battery pack and charger. Those parts were obtained, and the lift is available for use.

Entrance signage for doors at Medary and Hillcrest has been ordered. Punch lists at each school are getting shorter but items remain to be addressed. I met with Pierce Koch from Haussman Construction and have login credentials for Procore. This program will be used to communicate remaining problems and need for repairs to the contractors during the one-year warranty period.

All the roofing repairs at BHS, CTE, MMS, Camelot, and Dakota Prairie have been completed by MJ Dalsin Roofing. ARS Roofing will be out yet this fall to provide roof inspections and recommendations for future repairs/replacements. The board will receive recommendations for roofing projects and financial information during the budget planning process for FY 26.

Signage for the early childhood drop off/pick up area was installed at Dakota Prairie. Additional signage at the Medary bus loop will be installed.

SD Lining provided video inspection of the roof drain lines at BHS. There were no blockages detected throughout the system from the roof drains and under the floors in the building. No blockages were detected in the external drainpipe on the southwest side of the building. All roof drain cleanouts in the high school will be secured with the proper caps.

Replacement of two sump pumps in the high school boiler room will be completed soon.

The rope climber at the Camelot School was replaced. The installers failed to tighten one of the anchors and the rope came loose. Special thanks go to the Brookings Park and Recreation Department for coming over to the school and making the needed repair.

The equipment for the Early Childhood playgrounds at Medary and Hillcrest was delivered on September 26. Installation of equipment beginning with Hillcrest is underway.

An initial meeting with COOP Architects regarding the science room upgrades was held on October 1. On October 7, COOP Architects will meet with BHS science teachers to gather input. On October 14, COOP Architects will be on-site at BHS for a more in-depth inspection of the science rooms.

Brian Gatzke of Northern Plains Appraisal met with Stacey Van Beek and I at the 5<sup>th</sup> Street Gym on September 20 for a tour of the building. The facilities sub committee met on September 30 for further discussion on the 5<sup>th</sup> Street Gym and will have recommendations for the board at the October 15 meeting.

I will continue to work with contractors at the two new schools and help as needed.

I am grateful for the opportunity to work to improve facilities for students and staff in the Brookings School District.

Respectfully submitted,

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