

Present: Cynthia Rainey, Chair, CSC; CCSC
Alexa Anderson, Vice Chair, CSC; CCSC
Courtland Booth, CSC; CCSC
Tracey Marano, CSC; CCSC
Fatima Mezdad, CSC; CCSC

Present from Administration: Dr. Laurie Hunter, Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD
Jared Stanton, Director of Finance & Operations, CPS & CCRSD

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Ms. Rainey called the CSC meeting to order at 2:01 PM. Roll call attendance was taken: Anderson, aye; Booth, aye; Marano, aye; Mezdad, aye; Rainey, aye.

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Update on Thoreau Fire. Mr. Stanton stated that there was a fire on the evening of Monday, June 28th in the 1994 wing of the Thoreau School. He stated that the district was alerted by the alarm company at about 5:42 PM. Mr. Stanton stated that, due to the extensive water damage, the entire wing is not usable, noting that eight rooms are expected to be offline for the near future. He stated that the fire was caused by a unit electric heater located in the attic space, noting that it was generally inaccessible. He stated that, based on the evidence, the fire damaged heater was the only viable heat source. Mr. Stanton stated that the Concord Fire Department deferred the specifics of the heater failure to the insurance provider and investigator. He stated that Service Master is working on the cleanup and will be working on the rebuild, noting that they worked with Rebuildex to secure the hole in the roof on Monday evening.

Mr. Stanton stated that the district is looking into two office trailers for staff for meetings and lunches. He stated that testing was completed to ensure there were no hazardous materials in the building, noting that the effected classroom rugs were removed. He stated that eight pods have been delivered, with two more expected on Friday, noting that they will be removing items that are unsalvageable and need to be disposed over the weekend. Regarding the roof, Mr. Stanton stated that there would be, at minimum, a total shingle replacement.

Dr. Hunter shared some of the options to use in place of the wing affected, including: using modular classrooms, using available classrooms at Peabody, and using current space at Thoreau. She stated that the preferred option is to use current space at Thoreau, noting that this would allow everyone at Thoreau to remain together. Dr. Hunter stated that the CTA is also in agreement that this is the best choice out of the current options.

Dr. Hunter offered her deep gratitude to the Concord Fire and Police Departments, noting the aid from additional communities. She also thanked the vendors for their responsiveness.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Executive Session. A motion was made by Mr. Booth, seconded by Ms. Marano, that the Concord School Committee would enter into Executive Session under Purpose 3 of Open Meeting Law: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Concord Teachers' Association, and not return to Open Session. The motion was approved by roll call: Anderson, aye; Booth, aye; Marano, aye; Mezdad, aye; Rainey, aye, and Open Session adjourned at 2:18 PM.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Booth, seconded by Ms. Anderson, and Executive Session adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin E. Higgins

Approved: 8.31.21

Abbreviations:

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| CCHS | Concord-Carlisle High School |
| CCRSD | Concord-Carlisle Regional School District |
| CCSC | Concord-Carlisle Regional District School Committee |
| CCTA | Concord-Carlisle Teachers' Association |
| CMS | Concord Middle School |
| CPS | Concord Public Schools |
| CSC | Concord School Committee |
| SC | School Committee |