



## Committee Report

Committee Name: Board Operations

| Location   | Date                    | Time           |
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| Virtual  | September 22, 2021      | 5:30pm -7:02pm |
| <b>Board Members</b>   |                         |                |
| Josephine Garcia   | Hasani Council          |                |
| Shayvonne Anderson   | Dawn Haynes             |                |
| <b>District Liaison &amp; Superintendent Representative</b>  |                         |                |
| Valerie Wilson   | Dr. Shakirah Harrington |                |
| <b>Other District Staff</b>  |                         |                |
| Krystle Whitlock-Ude   | Anthony Jackson         |                |
| Imani Moody  | Rashon Dwight           |                |
| Quanika Dukes-Spruill  | Wali Thomas             |                |
| Carlos Edmundo   | Ashley Banks            |                |
| Lisa Abdul   |                         |                |
| Rodney Williams  |                         |                |
| Vince Hutcheson  |                         |                |
| Chris Caponegro  |                         |                |
| Ben Olagadeyo  |                         |                |
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| <b>Guests</b>  |                         |                |
| Paul Napoli – Johnson Controls   |                         |                |
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| <b>Meeting Summary</b>   |                         |                |
| <p><b><u>Security</u></b><br/>           The Office of Safety is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all students and staff while continuing to support district policies and procedures. For the months of August and September the Office of Safety is committed to unifying and aligning systems by training our security staff and district employees on the Office of Safety and Newark Board of Education best practices.</p>   |                         |                |
| <p><b><u>Transportation</u></b><br/>           In an effort to maximize the use of school vehicles that are currently contracted to transport Newark students, modified arrival and pick-up times for transported students who attend identified schools are in place. A tiered routing approach would allow the District to transport all students who are currently eligible for busing. Buses that are currently contracted would operate multiple routes and therefore, the need for additional buses that are not currently available because of staffing shortages would be greatly reduced. The Office of Pupil Transportation closely monitors the effectiveness of this routing strategy and will continue to partner with school bus companies to determine the companies' ability to increase capacity.</p> |                         |                |

**Facilities**

The Facilities Department continues to strive in keeping projects progressing to the modernization of District buildings. Contracts are being awarded and in-house staff delivering projects within deadlines. Some ESIP projects have already started with seven (7) subcontractors on board. The Department is well underway with the Facilities Condition Assessment with eight (8) schools already in process. At the start of school September 7<sup>th</sup>, PPEs have continued to be distributed with an abundance of supplies in stock with more on the way.

**Item: Security**

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| Lead(s): Levi Holmes | Priority/Strategy: 1:1.1 |
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*Comments:* Updated emergency procedure guidelines. Since the establishment of Command Center, the department has answered 80,000 calls. Hired 22 new permanent and in process of hiring 22 per diem guards. Training of 200 guards by DEA, Homeland Security and Department of Education as part of Staff development. Working with Department of Education and Homeland Security to develop Alyssa Law policy. Working with Department of Education on a Site Assessment app.

**Item: Transportation**

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| Lead(s): Quanika Dukes-Spruill | Priority/Strategy 1:1.1 |
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*Comments:* National and State shortage of school bus drivers impacted student transportation. Bus tickets and bus cards as alternate options. Altered bus routes with flexible start and end time to meet needs. Effective 9/27/21, stagger the arrival times of school being opened to transport all students eligible for busing.

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| Lead(s): Valerie Wilson | Priority/Strategy:1:1.1 |
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*Comments:*

**Resolution – Consent to the Assignment and Splitting of a Power Purchase Agreement** goes before the Board on 9/30/21. The committee recommends the resolution move forward to the full Board for action.

**Resolution - Change Order 1 to Electrical Service Upgrade at Newark Vocational High School Contract 9383** to be presented to the Board on 9/30/21. The committee recommends the resolution move forward to the full Board for action.

**Award of Bid# 9422 - Award of 9422 Electric Service & Standby Generator Phase IIA & IIB at Newark Vocational HS** goes before the board 10/28/21. The committee recommends the resolution move forward to the full Board for action.