

Facilities Report for Brookings School Board: November 12, 2024

The boiler replacement project at BHS continues. Facility Improvement Measure (FIM) #1 has been approved. A decision on FIM #2 of the boiler project will be made in the future.

Asbestos removal will be a necessary part of the boiler project. A proposal was submitted by Prairie Environmental Consulting and approved by the board at the October 28 work session.

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 will provide recommendations to the board based on information from pool contractors on next steps for the BHS pool. A new chlorine/muriatic acid injection system was installed on October 31. This system will contribute to more consistent water quality moving forward.

Entrance signage for exterior doors at Medary and Hillcrest is complete. Punch lists at each school are getting shorter but items remain to be addressed. I will continue to use Procore to report issues with the new schools to contractors during the one-year warranty period.

All roofing inspections have been completed. I am awaiting final reports from one more roofing contractor. The board will receive recommendations for roofing projects and financial information during the budget planning process for FY 26.

Additional signage at the Medary bus loop was installed.

The Early Childhood playgrounds at Medary and Hillcrest are finished and the children at those schools are enjoying their new outdoor space.

Work continues on the science rooms remodeling project. On October 14, COOP Architects were on-site at BHS for a more in-depth inspection of the science rooms.

There will be boiler inspections at the Administration Building and CTE Building on November 7. These inspections are conducted by FM Mutual Boiler on behalf of Employers Mutual Casualty Company.

The ASBSD Protective Trust provides insurance on the District's property. An inspection of all district property was conducted on October 9.

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

Improving the facilities within the Brookings School District makes it a great place to learn and a great place to work. 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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