

Minutes of the September 22, 2021 Finance & Facilities Committee Meeting

Attending the meeting: J Ponds, P Church, A Davis, E Scherzer, N Cipriano, R Kelley – representatives of PSA (G Cheney, W. Ross and W. Bannister) and Guests (J Klaben and D Glorie)

The Committee discussed an overview of all of the ventilation work that had been done in the District over the last year as well as work on going to install mechanical ventilation in 66 classrooms which previously had no mechanical ventilation. The work currently going on in those classrooms should be completed by November 30, 2021 according to the PSA representatives.

Consultations with the town building inspector were recently held and it was reported that building codes provided that windows should not be opened more than 4 inches. Representatives from PSA read a similar section of the building code.

There was also substantial discussion of the use of fans to improve ventilation and the various regulations that governed their use.

At the end of the meeting, the Committee and the Superintendent agreed that the following actions would be taken:

- Opening the upper portion of windows to the maximum opening while remaining within code
- Utilizing safety guards across the openings on the bottom of the windows to allow them to open more than 4 inches while remaining within code
- Moving extra air purifiers which are currently in reserve into larger rooms and spaces, such as those where students eat lunch when they need to be inside, so there are two purifiers in those larger spaces
- Investigating the purchase of larger fans (like those installed in Edgemont) for use in the larger spaces throughout the district and investigating the possibility of installing code compliant fans in other windows as mentioned in The Road Forward.