Draft minutes:

Final decision makers for the Capital Project is Matt and the Board Members. We will meet with committee members at each school to get feedback about what they would like to see improved in each school. We will share notes from these meeting with the Facilities Committee meeting on Monday April 26th. We will meet with this committee again in a few weeks and possibly one more time in early June. This committee will reconvene in the Fall and also while the project is actually underway.

Hired a new architecture firm last year and they performed a building condition survey. This survey identified infrastructure and safety needs the district needs to address. We are planning to go out to vote in mid October. We have debt payments ending in the future which will allow us to do another capital project without an impact to taxes. We don’t have to raise taxes to do this capital project. We are proposing a $22 million project. We are planning to use some of the American Rescue Plan allocation to help pay for some of the ventilation items we were planning to do in the capital project. We would also like to include the proceeds of the sale of the land at Dutchess stadium.

Priority one items are about $17 million. That leaves about $4 - $5 million to enhance educational spaces. There are different needs of schools across the district.

If we want to add air conditioning in the schools we would have to add a separate proposition on the ballot that would increase taxes.

Priority 1 items:

1. Slated ceilings in the hallways to make things brighter
2. Stairwell railings need to be ADA compliant
3. ADA ramp in the front of the building
4. Some sidewalks and other ramps
5. Parking lot repavement
6. Grease traps in the kitchen
7. Emergency lighting and other electrical work
8. LED lighting in the hallways
9. New boilers - NYSERDA incentive
10. Ventilation in PE office and Nurse’s office
Committee Member suggestions:

1. An audio system for the auditorium. Small sound board.
2. The music room should get sound absorbers (Wenger)
3. Fence around the playground area
4. Stairs leading out to the playground - need to be redone for a safety issue
5. Missing tiles in the hallway floors
6. Phone system - Is it part of the SMART bond??
7. Large common areas do not have good air circulation. (ex. gym)
8. Have the library moved upstairs and redone
9. Otherwise new shelving and furniture. Don't have enough outlets
10. Bathrooms on the lower level.
11. Classroom doors open out instead of in. Safety concern?
12. Do a face lift in the auditorium. Other schools have a stage and curtain.
13. Grounds need some attention - Trees falling, stone wall is crumbling
14. Boilers - do need 2 boilers? Must be high capacity. Must remove the current boilers
15. There is a list of smaller things that can be done in general fund, painting, exterior of the building
16. Traffic and parking flow into the school.