

INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 09/11/19 | 2:00 PM
200 E. North Avenue | Baltimore MD
First Floor Board Room

ATTENDEES

Robert Gorrell, IAC*, Chairperson
Jamie Bridges, IAC*
Tisha Edwards, Baltimore City*
MacKenzie Garvin, Baltimore City*
Eric Johnson, MSA*
Larry Flynn, MSA*
Dorothy Hellman, City Schools – 21st Century Schools*

**designates Executive Committee member organization*

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gorrell at 2:05 PM

APPROVALS / NOTICES

Approval of 06/10/19 Minutes

- Motion was made, and seconded, for approval
- Motion carried unanimously

REPORTS

IAC Report, Jamie Bridges

- See *Report to the Executive Committee*, attached
- In recent months, the IAC has approved the allocation of School Safety Grant Program (SSGP) funds, Extra \$15 Million for HVAC Program (E15M) funds and Supplemental Appropriation (SA) funds to support the 21st Century Schools Building Program
- The IAC, per the *Memorandum of Understanding for the Construction and Revitalization of Baltimore City Public Schools* (MOU) and in collaboration with Partner agencies, has drafted a closeout procedure for 21st Century Schools Building Program projects.

Coordinating Committee Report, Tisha Edwards

- See *Summary, City-BCPSS Coordinating Committee Meeting on School Construction*, attached

STAT Committee Report

- No report

Collaborative Group Report, MacKenzie Garvin

- Port Covington, Harbor Point, and more are becoming involved in Baltimore City recruitment
- 23 separate companies came to Enoch Pratt Library to explore recruitment opportunities
- Pathways to Construction Careers Pilot Program aims to create a recruitment network
- Related discussion:
 - Recruitment of individuals and organizations is tracked for each project and over time.

Financial Report

- No report

MSA Report, Larry Flynn

- See *Maryland Stadium Authority Update*, attached
- Provided status updates on Year 1 Schools, Year 2 Schools, and on current and upcoming procurements
- Related discussion:
 - At the project level, cost escalation has been slight, and manageable
 - At the building system level, cost escalation has not been determined

City Schools Report, Dorothy Hellman

- See *21st Century School Buildings Program Update*, attached
- 2 school buildings were opened in September 2019
- 11 of the 28 school buildings approved under the MOU are complete
 - 10 of the 11 Year 1 schools
 - 1 of the 17 Year 2 schools
- 3 additional school buildings will be complete in December 2019
- For SY 2019-20, the district-wide utilization rate — without swing space — is 87%, which meets the 86% target utilization rate
- Related discussion:
 - The district-wide utilization rate — with swing space — will be reported at a subsequent meeting of the Executive Committee

DISCUSSION

Event Calendar

- Next Executive Committee meeting:
Wednesday, 12/04/19 | 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Baltimore City Public Schools | 200 E. North Avenue | Baltimore MD
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Meeting was adjourned at 2:49 PM

INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION



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MEMORANDUM

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: BOB GORRELL

DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

RE: REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

GENERAL IAC UPDATE

So far in fiscal year 2019, the IAC has approved School Safety Grant Program (SSGP) funds allocations for access control equipment at all 11 of the completed 21st Century Schools projects; and has approved allocations for access control equipment to all of the programs set to move into new 21st Century Schools in the future. The access control equipment includes visitor pass hardware and software for all schools and metal detection equipment for schools with high school grade bands.

In addition, as the full scope of work becomes more clear, the IAC expects to adjust the Extra \$15 Million for HVAC Program (E15M) funds allocation in support of the 21st Century Schools addition project at #027 Commodore John Rodgers PK-8.

Also, the IAC has approved Supplemental Appropriation (SA) funds allocations for improvements to swing spaces for students of #142 Robert W. Coleman ES and #134 Walter P. Carter PK-8 until 21st Century Schools projects are under construction.

MOU §4 - IAC AND BPW PROCESS

Per the *Memorandum of Understanding for the Construction and Revitalization of Baltimore City Public Schools* (MOU), the IAC is required to develop a closeout procedure for 21st Century School projects.

To date, IAC staff has developed a content outline for the project closeout process based on feedback from the Partners, and collaborated with MSA to determine a method to compare construction costs of 21st Century Schools projects with those of Capital Improvement Program projects.

A draft of the Project Closeout Form will be complete on SEP 13.

Meeting Summary
City-BCPSS Coordinating Committee Meeting on School Construction
July 17, 2019

Attendees: Mary Colleen Buettner (DOP), Chris Ryer (DOP), Laurie Feinberg (DOP), Jennifer Leonard (DOP), Dorothy Hellman (21st Century), Cheri Vincent (21st Century), Kelly Connelly (21st Century), Rachel Romano (21st Century), Joseph Mayzck (MSA), Jamie Bridges (IAC), Michael Bayer (MDP), Kate Brower (BCRP), Nikia Mack (DOT), Jeff LaNoue (DOP), Robert Pipik (HCD), Michael Arnst (HCD)

Minutes from April 17, 2019

- Corrected Medfield planning and design item: BCRP has agreed to siting of sidewalk to connect the school and the rec center; construction is under consideration by MSA/21st Century.
- Approved – will be posted on 21st Century web site

School Status

- 21st Century shared a construction master list (*attached*); will provide updates to be sent out with agenda prior to each quarterly meeting
- Updates from BCPSS regarding Highlandtown #237, Commodore John Rodgers, and Montebello will be forthcoming

Planning & Design Coordination

- Site planning, pedestrian safety, and traffic
 - Provided handout of City standard re: sidewalk, ADA ramp, and pavement markings
 - Issue: little communication/timely follow-up on site plan changes following SPRC; MSA will submit to DOP updated site plans, and communicate, in a timely manner
- Subdivisions: as needed to clarify BCPSS/BCRP property lines; BCRP will follow-up if interested
- Mary E. Rodman: 21st Century/MSA was considering siting parking where the basketball court is, but has determined that's not feasible; 21st Century will submit findings to BCRP and DOP
- MSA/21st Century will remind project managers and Michael McBride to schedule UDAAP wrap-ups with DOP

Community Engagement

- 21st Century is developing a master schedule for future projects and engagement; will share with DOP

MOU for Cooperative Use Spaces

- Fort Worthington licensing agreement is complete; others are in negotiation
- Separate meeting will review in more detail

Surplus School Buildings and Disposition Process

- 21st Century will see if it's possible to provide an updated list to the MOU partners prior to the public update in the fall

INSPIRE

- Provided a handout (*attached*)

Upcoming Events

- August 2: Celebration and tour of Art@Work murals in Govans (Govans INSPIRE) and Brooklyn/Curtis Bay (Bay Brook INSPIRE)
- August 28: Tentative Arlington Ribbon Cutting (Karen Summerville will confirm in next few weeks)
- August 29: Tentative Fairmount Harford Ribbon Cutting (Karen S. will confirm in next few weeks)

Follow-up Items

- MSA will submit to DOP updated site plans following SPRC, and communicate, in a timely manner
- MSA/21st Century will remind project managers and Michael McBride to schedule UDAAP wrap-ups with DOP (Anthony Cataldo) – PMs let him know when they're ready
- Cheri Vincent will send construction master list to Jen L., adding a column for recreation spaces/shared space considerations, 1 week prior to future quarterly meetings; Jen will send out with agenda
- 21st Century will submit findings to BCRP and DOP Mary E. Rodman re: siting parking where the basketball court is
- Kate Brower will follow-up with BCRP re: any interest in pursuing subdivisions at Medfield, Walter P. Carter, and Calverton
- 21st Century will share master schedule/outreach for remaining schools
- Dorothy Hellman will see if it's possible to share surplus/disposition updates with MOU partners prior to public release
- MC Buettner will follow-up with Joe Mazyck re: outstanding John Ruhrah and Calvin Rodwell traffic design issues

**Next Scheduled Coordinating Committee Meeting
October 16, 2019 (9:00 am – 10:00 am)**

INSPIRE: In Progress

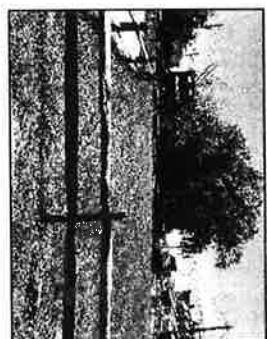
- 11 plans have been adopted/are in implementation
- Plans in process: John Ruhrach E/MS, Mary E. Rodman ES, Medfield Heights ES, Govans ES, Fairmount Harford Building + Harford Heights ES/Sharp Leadenhall, Robert Coleman
- Primary Walking Route sidewalk improvements for new school openings
 - Fairmount Harford is complete
 - Arlington now, Calvin Rodwell to start in a few weeks
 - Bay Brook and John Ruhrach to follow
- Many community projects are underway (see page 2 for examples)
- August 2: Celebration and tour of Art @ Work murals in Govans and Brooklyn/Curtis Bay.

Community-Based Projects: Examples



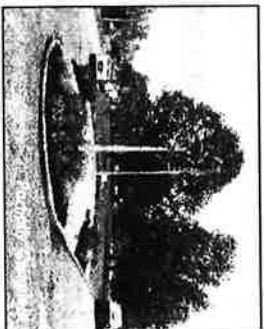
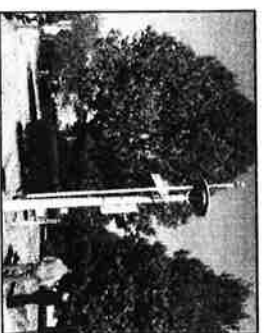
Dorothy I. Height: German Park Improvements

Forest Park + Calvin Rodwell: Walking Path



Bay Brook: Farring Baybrook Trail

Fort Worthington: Community Garden



Lynnhurst: Veteran Memorial Garden

Pimlico: Landscaped Community Space + Art

Pimlico and Arlington Murals/Art @ Work

Baltimore City Schools Construction Program
MOU Executive Committee Meeting
September 11, 2019
Maryland Stadium Authority Update

Current Status:

➤ **Year 1 Schools**

- Arlington construction is complete and opened for students on September 3, 2019. Ten of the eleven Year 1 schools are open and occupied.
- Patterson/Claremont GMP was approved by the MSA Board on June 18, 2019 and BPW on June 19, 2019. Site fencing, erosion and sediment control work and associated regrading began in July with completion of the new building in summer 2021.

➤ **Year 2 Schools**

- Fairmount-Harford Design/Build construction is complete and opened for students on September 3, 2019.
- John Ruhrah construction continues. Windows, face brick and building close-in 90% complete. Interior finishes, systems installation, site work and fit out proceeding. Scheduled for a winter 2019 opening.
- Calvin Rodwell construction continues. Permanent power and gas are installed. Windows installation is 95% complete. Systems startups are progressing as are interior fit outs and finishes. Scheduled for a winter 2019 opening.
- Bay Brook construction continues. Interior wall framing is complete. Exterior brick, drywall, systems installation, interior finishes and site work are in progress. Scheduled for a winter 2019 opening.
- Mary Rodman GMP was approved by the MSA Board on June 18, 2019 and BPW on July 3, 2019. Demolition is complete and interior renovation and site work in progress. Scheduled for a summer 2020 opening.
- Walter P. Carter/Lois T. Murray construction continues. The Phase 1 site demolition for the Rec Center and building connector is complete. Main building abatement and demolition started in early July and is essentially complete. The Phase 2 site utilities work is in continues progress. The Phase 3 package for the remainder of the work was approved by the MSA Board on June 18, 2019 and BPW on June 19, 2019 and the work is in progress. Scheduled for a winter 2020 opening.
- Govans 100% design is complete and the project is in GMP procurement. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.
- Medfield GMP was approved by the MSA Board on June 18, 2019 and BPW on July 3, 2019. Demolition of the existing modular building and the original school building is nearing completion. Scheduled for a winter 2020 opening.
- Harford Heights – The 50% CD submission was received in May and approved in June. The 90% CD submission is due next week. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.
- Calverton – The 100% design development submission was received in mid-May and approved in mid-August. The 50% CD submission is due this week. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.
- Cross Country – The 50% DD submission was received in late June and approved in late July. The 100% DD submission was received in early August and is under review. The 50% CD submission is due in mid-October. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.
- James Mosher – The schematic design was submitted in mid-June and approved in July. The 50% DD was submitted in late August and review comments are due this week. The 100% DD submission is due mid-October. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.

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- Robert Coleman – The CM selection was approved by the MSA Board on June 18, 2019 and BPW on July 3, 2019. The schematic design submission was submitted in early May and approved in late June. The 50% DD submission was submitted in mid-July and approved in mid-August. The 100% DD submission is due in early October. Scheduled for a summer 2021 opening.
- Northwood – The concept design submission was received in early June and was approved in early July. The schematic design submission was received in mid-August and is under review. Scheduled for a winter 2021 opening.

Current Procurements:

- RFP – Montebello A/E Design and CM Preconstruction
- RFP – Govans Testing and Inspection
- GMP- Govans

Upcoming Procurements

- RFP – Commodore John Rodgers A/E Design and CM Preconstruction
- RFP – Highlandtown #237 A/E Design and CM Preconstruction
- RFP – Montebello Building Commissioning Services
- RFP – Montebello Testing and Inspection

**Baltimore City Public Schools Construction Program
MOU Executive Committee Meeting | September 11, 2019**

21st CENTURY SCHOOL BUILDINGS PROGRAM UPDATE

Dorothy Hellman, Executive Director

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INTRODUCTION

The 21st Century Program has completed eleven of the twenty-eight schools approved under the Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU). Ten of eleven schools were completed for Year 1 and the first of seventeen was completed for Year 2. The next three openings for Year 2 schools -- Calvin Rodwell Elementary/Middle, Bay-Brook Elementary, and John Ruhrah Elementary/Middle are scheduled to open January 2020, followed by Mary E. Rodman in September 2020.

FEASIBILITY STUDIES

All Plan Year 1 and 2 Feasibility Studies are complete with the exception of Commodore John Rodgers and Highlandtown #237. With 91% of the Year 1 schools complete, the financials are tracking at ~5% under budget. The greater portion of the savings will be used at Commodore John Rodgers to address Infrastructure deficiencies. The revised scope will include System upgrades and a new addition. A/E services are currently being solicited for these schools and Montebello.

\$350,000 is available under the program to conduct feasibility studies for the renovation or replacement of five additional Public School facilities under the 21st Century Program. The team is currently evaluating the process of selecting the schools and should have options by Fall 2019.

UTILIZATION RATES/ SURPLUS

Baltimore City Public Schools produce ten-year enrollment projections annually using the current (September 30th) enrollment. SY2018-19 (September 30, 2018) enrollment was used to generate projections for SY2019-20 through SY2028-29. Based on the MOU City Schools committed to a final district-wide utilization rate (without swing space) of 86% in SY2019-20. They are projected to meet the 86% target utilization rate in SY2019-20, with a district-wide utilization of 87%.

On January 8, 2019, the School Board of Commissioners voted to surplus the following buildings in June 2019, in addition to the Lake Clifton building (#40) on December 31, 2019:

1. Gilmore Elementary #107
2. Dr. Roland N. Patterson #82
3. St. Helena building

The seat capacity for SY2018-19 & SY2019-20 will decrease by 5,080. Through the Portfolio Review Process City Schools will continue to pursue opportunities to efficiently utilize facilities. This may include, but is not limited to closing, reconfiguring, and/or consolidating programs.

STAFFING UPDATES

The 21st Century Program office currently has four vacancies:

- **Senior Project Manager** (Job description was revised from being a Director of Construction and is pending advertisement by City Schools).
- **Manager, Engineering & Operations** (Job description revised to have a focus on electrical strengths, and is pending advertisement by City Schools).
- ***Director of Strategy & Compliance** (Position need under review)
- ***Program Coordinator - Community & Public Relations** (Position need under review)

The following partially funded positions for Facility Operations are vacant and is currently being advertised by City Schools' Human Capital Office.

- **Mechanical Engineer II - 50%** (Incumbent to support City Schools Facility Operations)
- **Architectural Engineer II - 50%** (Incumbent to support City Schools Facility Operations)

FINANCE UPDATE

The 2019 – 2020 fiscal year appropriations request was submitted and approved by MSA. The request is for the City School Board approved amount of \$3,718,318.00 with a supplemental amount of \$2,480,060.00. The supplemental amount partially covers the cost of employee salaries and benefits, swing space transportation, and temporary move consultants. It was approved by the City School Board on 8/27/2019. **The total operations appropriations request is \$6,198,378.00.**

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

Barring those that are complete or near completion, seventeen (17) schools remain to be complete in the program. Of these, eight (8) are under construction, six (6) in various stages of design development through pre-construction, and three (3) schools are in feasibility study. The program continues to work with City Schools staff, City and State agencies and stakeholders to ensure school buildings are designed and constructed to meet the needs of City Schools and communities.

2018/2019 Progress Highlights:

- Delivered and installed over 8,000 Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment (FF&E) items to outfit the Arlington and Fairmount Harford/ REACH! Schools.
- Developed FF&E schemes /procurement packages for Rodwell, John Ruhrah and Bay Brook scheduled to open January 2020.
- Continued to collaborate with Academics to design and outfit specialty spaces, such as GTT and CTE labs and shops at Patterson/Claremont.
- Implemented a Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment (FF&E) Asset Management and Inventory control system using barcodes to catalog and monitor FF&E assets for each school.
- Continued exploring the use of new materials and finishes to improve durability and costs of buildings and FF&E.
- Continue to model processes and procedures to enhance design and construction such as; inclusive in-house technical reviews, employing universal design concepts, applying second generation CPTED concepts, utilizing lessons learned, standardizing material specifications, providing recommendations for improving the City Schools Design Standards and making frequent site visits to ensure designs are executed as designed.
- Continued assessing the disposition of loaned public art impacted by 21st Century, most notably this quarter, artwork found at Lake Clifton High School and Harford Heights.
- Installed two large porcelain tile murals at the entrance of the Media Center at Poole. The murals, titled “Faces of the Future,” are photomontages containing portraits created by 53 students. The fabricator requested City School’s permission to feature the art on its website.

TECHNOLOGY

The technology purchases for Arlington Elementary and the REACH! Partnership School has been delivered and installed. Technology professional development sessions were held prior to school opening for school-based staff. An onsite 21st Century Technology Technician (Operational Specialist II) is being posted at each school for the first few months of school opening to assist with technical concern ensuring business continuity. They assist with deployment of devices and troubleshooting technology issues as they arise. Schools have been very appreciative of this service as they become acclimated to their new school buildings and technology.

Technology End User Devices for Bay-Brook Elementary/Middle, Calvin M. Rodwell Elementary/Middle, and John Ruhrah Elementary/Middle School have been appropriated. The technology team meets bimonthly to plan the procurement; and schedule deliveries and deployment of all devices to assure readiness for the January 2020 school openings.

CURRENT SWING-OCCUPANCY

Seven (7) schools moved into swing locations this past summer to facilitate the buildout of their new school. This brings the count to twelve (12) schools in swing space for SY 2019/2020.

Permanent School	Permanent Address	Swing School	Current Address (in Swing)	Move Date
Mary E. Rodman	3510 W. Mulberry Street Baltimore, MD 21229	West Baltimore Building	201 North Bend Baltimore, MD 21229	July 9 – 13, 2018
Calverton	1100 Whitmore Baltimore, MD 21216	West Baltimore Building	201 North Bend Baltimore, MD 21229	Jan. 24 – 27, 2019
John Ruhrah	701 Rappolla Street Baltimore, MD 21224	Baltimore Community/SE	6820 Fait Avenue Baltimore, MD 21224	December 23-27, 2019
Bay-Brook	4301 10 th Street Baltimore, MD 21225	Carter G. Woodson	2501 Seabury Road Baltimore, MD 21225	December 23-27, 2019
Calvin Rodwell	3501 Hillsdale Road Baltimore, MD 21207	Grove Park	5545 Kennison Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215	December 30, 2019- January 3, 2020
Harford Heights	1919 N. Broadway Baltimore, MD 21213	William C. March	2050 N. Wolfe Street Baltimore, MD 21213	1 st Phase June 28, 2019; Phase 2 July 1, 2019
Cross Country	6100 Cross Country Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21215	Northwestern Building	6900 Park Heights Ave Baltimore, MD 21215	July 26, 2019
Walter P. Carter	820 E. 32 nd Street Baltimore, MD 21212	Winston Building	1101 Winston Ave Baltimore, MD 21212	1 st Phase: July 3, 2019 2 nd Phase: Aug. 15, 2019
Medfield	4300 Buchanan Avenue Baltimore, MD 21211	Chinquapin	900 Woodbourne Ave Baltimore, MD 21212	1 st Phase: July 3, 2019 2 nd Phase: Aug. 16, 2019
Govans	5801 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212	Chinquapin	900 Woodbourne Ave Baltimore, MD 21212	August 16, 2019
Robert Coleman	2400 Windsor Avenue Baltimore, MD 21216	Harriet Tubman	1807 Harlem Ave Baltimore, MD 21217	August 16, 2019
James Mosher	2400 W. Mosher Street Baltimore, MD 21216	Garrison	3910 Barrington Road Baltimore, MD 21207	August 25, 2019

Two (2) schools also moved into their permanent new buildings September 3, 2019.



Arlington Elementary School



REACH! Partnership School (Fairmount-Harford Building)

21ST CENTURY ACADEMIC PLANNING

Ongoing professional learning opportunities occur throughout the school year on each school's academic focus area and technology integration. Professional learning was held in August 2019 for instructional staff at the five schools opening during the 2019-20 school year. This professional learning focused on the use of instructional technology to engage students in the use of 21st century skills and the use of STEM gear to support coding concepts. Ongoing professional learning will occur throughout the 2019-20 school year around the academic focus area for each school opening this year. Additional instructional technology offerings will be available through several AU courses as well as the implementation of a video studio hands-on training program for school staff.

The academic focus area for each school is indicated in the chart below.

School	Opening	Academic Focus
Frederick Elementary *Conversion Charter School	Summer 2017	Direct Instruction & Core Knowledge
Fort Worthington Elementary/Middle	Summer 2017	Project Based Learning & Restorative Practices
Wildwood Elementary/Middle	April 2018	STEM
Dorothy I Height Elementary	April 2018	Arts Integration & Restorative Practices
Forest Park	September 2018	STEAM
Arundel Elementary	September 2018	STEAM & Restorative Practices
Cherry Hill Elementary/Middle	September 2018	STEAM & Restorative Practices
Pimlico Elementary/Middle	September 2018	Project Based Learning
Academy for Career and College Exploration *100% Project	September 2018	College and Career Exploration and Readiness
Independence High School *Charter School	September 2018	Experiential Learning
REACH High School	September 2019	Blended Learning
Arlington Elementary	September 2019	STEAM
John Ruhrah Elementary/Middle	January 2020	STEAM
Calvin Rodwell Elementary/Middle	January 2020	STEM
Bay Brook Elementary/Middle	January 2020	Arts Integration

FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT (FF&E) ASSET MANAGEMENT:

21st Century actively began a FF&E Asset Management and Inventory control system to electronically catalog and monitor assets for each school beginning Summer 2019. The tracking platform uses a simple bar code for records management. The recent milestone was completed at Arlington Elementary School where over 3,000 items were barcoded and inventoried during the FF&E installation process, and prior to the school's ribbon cutting.

This rollout was to serve as a test for barcoding the remainder of the 21st Century schools (including the nine completed earlier). The inventory module was done in partnership with City Schools IT department on a reliable platform. This will ensure all future schools could make use of the in-house technology as established with little overhead costs. These unique tags identify the assets and school for which it was purchased without having to reference the inventory system.



Projected schedule:

September 2019	Complete the barcoding and inventory of Fairmont-Harford/ REACH!
Oct. to Nov. 2019	Complete barcoding for all preassembled FF&E items for John Ruhrah, Calvin Rodwell and Baybrook.
Nov. to Jan 2019	Develop plans for barcoding and inventory of the nine (9) 21 st Century schools that were opened previously.
January 2019	Complete the onsite barcoding, inventory and asset verification for John Ruhrah, Calvin Rodwell, and Baybrook opening January 2020.

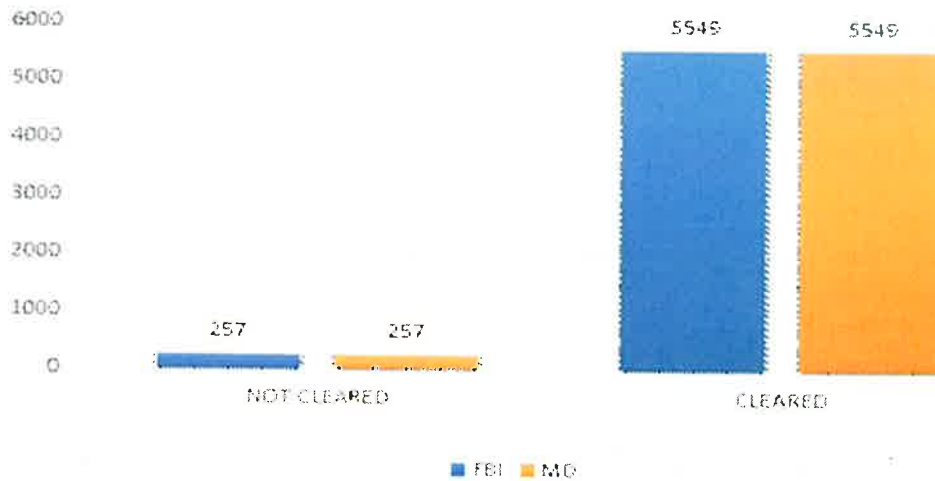
WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT

Based on the historical trend over the last 6 months, City Schools' Human Capital Pre-Enrollment Office will have processed ~5,800 applications for approval to work on the 21st Century projects. This includes design, construction and subcontractor teams. In addition to MSA workforce and local hiring reports, City Schools provides report monthly updates to the Collaboration Working Group lead by the Mayor's Office on Workforce Development (MOED).

BACKGROUND CHECKS

Background Check Report as of 8/30/2019

Total 5806



As at August 30, 2019, 5806 individuals submitted for background checks to work on 21st Century projects. 257 were not cleared. Currently, those not cleared do not get notified. Going forward, in an effort to increase opportunities for City Residents, 21st Century will provide notification indicating the decision can be appealed. This does not mean it will be over-turned, but we will solicit information to make a more informed decision as to whether to hire.

Category	As of 7/12/2019	As of 7/19/2019	As of 7/29/2019	As of 8/2/2019	As of 8/9/2019	As of 8/16/2019	As of 8/23/2019	As of 8/30/2019
CLEARED	5283	5310	5371	5408	5475	5508	5537	5549
NOT CLEARED	253	253	253	253	254	255	255	257
TOTAL BACKGROUND CHECKS	5536	5563	5624	5661	5729	5763	5792	5806

Percentage not cleared	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
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New Process-Background Check Verification Audit:

Beginning June 2019, ten individuals from each project were randomly selected to verify that a city schools background check has been completed based on MSA's payroll details report. In the instance where no background is found, the CM is required to provide documentation of proof, or have the individual complete a background check before returning to the construction site.

21ST CENTURY STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

21st Century School Buildings Student Internship Program is done in partnership with Urban Alliance (UA). Through UA's high school internship program, young people have gained hands-on work experience, learn critical work skills and gained the confidence and support necessary to develop and execute concrete plans for a financially self-sufficient future. UA has recruited local

construction and design firms to provide internships for high school seniors who are pursuing careers in the construction and design industries. Our student interns began work in March 2019 ending August 1, 2019. There was a total of 8 students placed with local partners. UA will maintain connection with all interns as mentors as they move onto the next phase of their education. We recently had the opportunity to catch up with a few of these talented and hard-working students—Makaila Brown, Keon Alexander, and Rashied Rice—on the job! Please watch the video of them sharing their favorite parts of their jobs. <https://vimeo.com/350174016>

COMMUNICATIONS

Ribbon Cuttings

The Communications Team successfully executed ribbon cuttings for Arlington Elementary School on August 28, 2019, and REACH! Partnership High School on August 29, 2019. Both events were well attended.



Website

Several sections have received updates:

- The Executive Committee page now has the latest meeting announcements and minutes.
- The Coordinating Committee page has the latest meeting announcements and minutes.
- All school project pages have the latest news.
- All upcoming community meetings have been posted.

Communications is continuing to work with MOED on more efficient ways to post program-related job openings.

Upcoming School Openings

Planning is underway for the following schools scheduled to be completed December 2019. The team is brainstorming creative ways to hold ribbon cuttings for all three schools on their occupancy date. One of these ideas is to conduct a virtual ribbon cutting that would allow guest speakers to address all three schools while allowing students to celebrate and see each other, simultaneously.

John Ruhrah
Bay-Brook
Calvin M. Rodwell