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3/31/08 VERSION (updated 5/12)

Action Register - - Facility Use and Safety Issues

Patterson Mill High School Incomplete/Unsuitable Conditions

Keying for identifying Name and Date Information was Provided to School Official:

B = Board of Education,

S = Superintendent of Schools Jacqueline Haas,

L = Joseph Licata Deputy Superintendent of Schools

T = Wayne Thibeault Principal of Patterson Mill

For many months parents, teachers, the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and the Athletic Booster Club have been informing the school district headquarters personnel and Patterson Mill principal and school officials (assistant principals, athletic directors, coaches) about the deficiencies in the design or completion status of the Patterson Mill school facilities for physical education, community recreation and athletics. Members of the Emmorton Recreation Association of the Harford County Parks and Recreation Department have also voiced their concerns to the parents, Booster Club and teachers/coaches of Patterson Mill about the incomplete, poorly constructed and/or poorly designed facilities.

Dates provided indicate the time notice was given to officials of the school district. Information and general recommendations are provided about what needs to be improved/completed.

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Item #	Date Information Provided to School Official	Item Patterson Mill High School Incomplete/Unsuitable Conditions Persons or bodies informed include the following on the dates specified. B denotes Board of Education, S = Superintendent of Schools Jacqueline Haas, L = Joseph Licata Deputy Superintendent of Schools T=Wayne Thibeault Principal of Patterson Mill	Necessary Action	School District Person Responsible	Status
1	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Install a completed infield for the varsity baseball field, the infield is mounds of dirt and weeds.	Level the infield and install grass and build pitchers mound.	Ken Zorback, District Athletic Director paid for install of sod for the infield from his budget	complete fall 07
2	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Level and seed the left field area of the varsity baseball field this fall	In mid-June 08 bring in more fill dirt & reseed		INCOMPLETE
3	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The baseball field (field #4 near Acton Way on the accompanying diagram) has not been installed. The current location is not designed for a completed regulation baseball field as the outfield is too shallow even for high school practice (285 ft to center field and 265 ft. foul lines), the infield is not	Install the second regulation baseball field, reorient the field away from		INCOMPLETE

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		level, the baseball backstop is not adequate for boys baseball and the houses on the left field line will be receiving foul balls constantly and will be in a danger zone for their private yard use.	the houses, extend the outfield, put in a fence and level the infield. The drainage pipe in the outfield should be extended to accommodate the outfield expansion.		
4	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	There are no holes in the gym floor for the net standards for physical education teachers to use for badminton, volleyball and other physical education activities. The temporary standards are dangerous for high school students to use. The lack of facilities has caused the boys and girls volleyball teams to have to stagger practices thereby causing a hardship on students, coaches and parents for travel and homework studies.	Work Order: Install the holes for the net standards in the gymnasiums	Reported by the Athletic Director at the April 2008 Booster Club meeting as complete.	INCOMPLETE Coaches were told that the work would be completed after the fall 2007 season.
5	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Physical education, recreation and expected JV softball field. The third base line and left field area has a major drop-off (about 6 ft.) within the field of play.	Provide additional fill dirt to the multi-purpose field so the softball field #2 can be used safely & install safety fence on		INCOMPLETE

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			left field line.		
6	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Grass fields such as the upper (near tennis courts) soccer and lacrosse are in poor condition. No water & electricity to baseball field. Need utilities (electric and water) to care for outdoor physical education and athletic fields. Reportedly Bel Air HS will have water lines to its outdoor facilities for field care.	Install water lines of sufficient size to the outdoor fields.		INCOMPLETE
7	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Obtain a dozen computer tables for the Foundations of Technology Lab	Tables installed.	Drew Moore school system.	COMPLETE – Sept. 2007.
8	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	There is an inadequate supply of electricity to operate the fabrication equipment in the Foundations of Technology Lab. This was known at or before the start of school in August.	Install adequate electricity to operate the fabrication equipment in the Foundations of Technology Lab.		INCOMPLETE
9	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Fix the safety problem in the Foundations of Technology Lab and create the additional internal windows needed to provide the instructors with adequate visibility of the students working between the lab and the classroom so these new facilities can be used.	Change order to install more windows in the wall.		INCOMPLETE
10	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The teacher does not have the software to use for the language laboratory equipment.	Obtain the software so the language laboratory equipment can be used		COMPLETE
11	9/24/07 B,S,	Obtain a review of the high school class sizes, some	Mr. Thibeault	Disposition	COMPLETE

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	L,T	having as many as 32 students in classes. Mr. Thibeault will post shortly after meeting to web site. See item #19 below.	said this could be checked the next day as data was in the office and he would get it out. Also could put it up on the web site.	reported April 2008 PTA meeting by principal.	
12	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The acoustics in the cafeteria, library and gymnasium are very poor. Per W.Thibeault being studied to improve. PA system in the cafeteria may be part of the answer but sound quality and echo also existing factors.			INCOMPLETE
13	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The field management “press box” has no windows or room for the press, home or visiting coaches. It accommodates only the scoreboard operator and an announcer	Expand the press box widows for home and visiting coaches use for games. Change order.		INCOMPLETE
14	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The press box windows do not open for communication with outside personnel. This is a necessary communication process to provide safety information from the field to the announcers and officials. Makes track meet announcing very difficult.	Modify the press box windows to open, change order.		INCOMPLETE
15	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	The press box design does not accommodate filming of events on the stadium field.	Modify the press box roof. It is a pitched roof that does		INCOMPLETE

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			not accommodate filming of instructional activities, county television event production, foster area commercial media use and athletic event instructional filming.		
16	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Patterson Mill students in outdoor activities are being discriminated against as no scoreboards for football, track, soccer and Lacrosse have been provided on the stadium field.	Fund & install stadium scoreboard		INCOMPLETE
17	9/24/07 B,S, L,T	Lights on the stadium field for fall & spring sports have not been installed. The funding has been available since May 2007 from county board. County willing to assist in bid development to get installation by fall 07 soccer and football season. Principal Thibeault states at 10/23-08 parents night how helpful it would be to have the lights in to assist with event and bus scheduling. Parents voice how it would help in transporting students and efficiently using time for students and for other students.	Install lights on the stadium field for fall & spring sports.		INCOMPLETE
18	10/14/07 T, 3/5/08 L	The side court basketball backboards in gymnasiums are not the regulation glass boards.	Exchange the non-glass backboards in		INCOMPLETE

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			gymnasiums for the regulation glass boards.		
19	10/23/07 T	Inquiry from floor at PMHS PTA “desert with administration”: student teacher ratio for PMHS: have it will get it and could also post on web site. No response to date and can’t find on web site as of 3 6 08. See #11 above.		Information handout at 4/16/08 PTA meeting.	COMPLETE
20	10/23/07 T	Walkway for Bright Oaks and Kings Charter students through the school property to Wetterhorn Court on the East of property. Current walkway is dirt and grass. Distance approx. 500 feet from nearest school walkway in rear of building.	Complete a hard surface walkway for the students to connect to the sidewalks adjoining the school grounds.		INCOMPLETE
21	11/1/07 T, 3/5/08 T & L	Inadequate concession stand on stadium field : Only 2 windows for service (1 is for handicapped but is next to fence causing maneuvering of handicapped individuals) and line management space outside of stand. Part of the area is dirt/mud. The 2 windows are inadequate for efficient services to the public at game attendance.	Change/add to the interior space and cement in the mud/dirt area.		INCOMPLETE
22	3/5/08 T & L	PMHS web site on HCPS site is out of date in many categories	Opening page still describes a facility under construction. Athletic pages are incomplete for current situation and		INCOMPLETE

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			past season history.		
23	3/18/08 T	Telephone/Cable connection box in front of school building damaged and open. The cable box at the upper parking lot is also in same condition of damage and open to students.	Call and alert the provider and schedule service. Cover the damaged equipment temporarily for student safety.	Cable box on Patterson Mill partially fixed in late April 2008. Ground level connection open. 5/12 upper lot box still not fixed.	INCOMPLETE
24	3/31/08 T	Current walkway for Kings Charter students traversing to the north through the school property to the Court needs to be hard surfaced to protect the building from accumulating mud and dirt and degrading facilities and make walkway useable in inclement weather.	Complete a hard surface walkway for the students to connect to the sidewalks adjoining the school grounds.		INCOMPLETE
25	3/31/08 T	Stadium field ticket booth dispensing area is inadequate for large crowds.	Fence off a larger area to keep control of crowds and support safe flow into stadium. Note what Bel Air HS has done to address similar situation.		INCOMPLETE
26	3/31/08	The backstop for the varsity baseball field in	Obtain and		INCOMPLETE

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		inadequate in height and design. Note the backstop for the JV field is also of same inadequate size to control foul balls.	install the proper backstop.		
27	3/31/08	The seating on the stadium field for graduation, student body events, football games and hosting tournament games is inadequate. Bleachers only seat 1000. Alternative is to add seats for visitors to opposite side of field.	Place fill dirt on the opposite side of the field from main bleachers to accommodate additional bleachers. Change fencing.	April review of building plans shows seating for 1200.	INCOMPLETE
28	3/31/08	Storm water drainage runoff has caused rutts in various locations (Note: Beyond Baseball field)			
29	3/31/08	HS gym has only one scoreboard while MS gym has a full HS scoreboard which is not required for Rec Use.	Suggest that MS Scoreboard be moved to HS Gym and a much less expensive scoreboard be installed in MS Gym		
30	3/31/08	There is inadequate storage for spring outdoor sports particularly baseball. Screens and other material/equipment have to be carried to Baseball Field and back to school every day with equipment stored in the Community Room Closet.	Suggest that a storage facility like the football structure be built between the baseball field and field		INCOMPLETE

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			hockey field for storage at this end of campus.		
31	3/31/08	The playing surface for the JV Field Hockey field (between the football practice field and baseball field) is not level and drainage is causing erosion of the field.			INCOMPLETE

General Questions/Statements:

- Suggest that a complete set of construction documents for school be kept at facility for future reference purposes. **Documents located in April 2008.**
- What agency is responsible for maintenance of grounds of the school? The statement was been made that HCPS is responsible for maintenance and then a week later it was stated that HC Parks and Rec. responsible. In either case, the baseball field and softball fields would not be ready for play this week without the efforts of the Emmorton Rec Council and concerned parents. **Note: the girl’s softball was not ready for the first game in 2008.**
- What is status of the approximately 1.707 MILLION Dollars left in the capital budget for PMHS/MS which has been reported is still available for use? **School Board transferred \$140,000 out of the account and according to Mr. Licata transferred back \$100,000.**