

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 5:00 PM

Town Campus Hammonasset Room/Zoom, 10 Campus Drive , Madison, CT 06443

I. Call to Order / Attendance

I.A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. School / Community Session

II.A. Public Participation

III. Superintendent's Report

Speaker(s): Craig A. Cooke, Ph.D.

III.A.

- 2027-2028 Capital Improvement Plan

IV. Board Members' Comments

V. Audience Response to Information Presented
(Ref. Bylaw #9540.10)

VI. Action Item: Election of Board Secretary (Ref. Bylaw #9420)

VII. Action Item: Motion to appoint Kevin Fogarty to the Facilities Committee and Finance Committee (Ref. Bylaw #9450)

VIII. Action Item: Motion to approve the 2027-2028 Capital Improvement Plan

IX. Action Item: Motion to approve the disposal of used books and equipment

X. Action Item: Motion to approve a donation from the Neck River PTO to Neck River Elementary in the amount of \$2102.41 for the purchase of library books.

XI. Action Item: Motion to approve a donation from the South Central Regional Council of Governments to Neck River Elementary School in the amount of \$2,222.00 for bike racks.

XII. Action Item: Motion to approve a donation from the Brown School PTO to Brown Elementary School in the amount of \$46,746.50 for school wishlist items and field trips.

XIII. Action Item: Motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2026 Board of Education Meeting (Ref. Bylaw #9540.9)

XIV. Future Agenda Items

XV. Adjournment

XVI. The Town of Madison does not discriminate on the basis of disability, and the meeting facilities are ADA accessible. Individuals who need assistance are invited to make their needs known by contacting the Town ADA/Human Resources Director, Debra Ferrante, at 203-245-6310 or by email at ferranted@madisonct.org at least five (5) business days prior to the

meeting.

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5-Year Capital Improvement Plan FY28-FY32**Analysis Tables**

Updated - BW 8/11/2026



Facilities Department

Potential Funding Sources						
	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	5 Year Total
Capital Improvement (CNRE) Fund	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090
Potential Bonding						\$ -
Local Share Total	\$ 3,121,569	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 9,724,900
State School Construction Grant	\$ 932,190					\$ 932,190
Committed Grants						\$ -
E-Rate Reimbursement						\$ -
High Potential Grant or Grant Contingent Projects						\$ -
Donations						\$ -
Grants and Donations Total	\$ 932,190	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 932,190
Total	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090

Projects By Building						
	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	5 Year Total
District Wide (Impacts Multiple Buildings)	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 400,000
Brown Elementary School	\$ 150,000	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 412,122	\$ 1,112,122
Neck River Elementary School	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Polson Middle School	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 335,500	\$ 100,000	\$ 425,000	\$ 1,060,500
Daniel Hand High School	\$ 3,728,758	\$ -	\$ 378,764	\$ 1,208,620	\$ 450,000	\$ 5,766,142
Athletics (Multi-Site Use)	\$ -	\$ 1,728,326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 590,000	\$ 2,318,326
Total	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090

Projects By Category						
	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	5 Year Total
Building Envelope	\$ 3,728,758	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,728,758
Interiors	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 335,500	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 735,500
Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ 246,342	\$ -	\$ 775,000	\$ 1,171,342
Security	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 375,000
Site Work	\$ -	\$ 1,728,326	\$ 25,000	\$ 1,208,620	\$ 412,122	\$ 3,374,068
Instructional Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Food Service	\$ -	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550,000
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 132,422	\$ -	\$ 590,000	\$ 722,422
Total	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090

Projects by Building Type						
	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	5 Year Total
Early Childhood	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Elementary	\$ 150,000	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 412,122	\$ 1,112,122
Middle School	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 335,500	\$ 100,000	\$ 425,000	\$ 1,060,500
High School	\$ 3,728,758	\$ -	\$ 378,764	\$ 1,208,620	\$ 450,000	\$ 5,766,142
Support Services (Non-School)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Athletics (Shared Facilities)	\$ -	\$ 1,728,326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 590,000	\$ 2,318,326
District-Wide	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 400,000
Total	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090

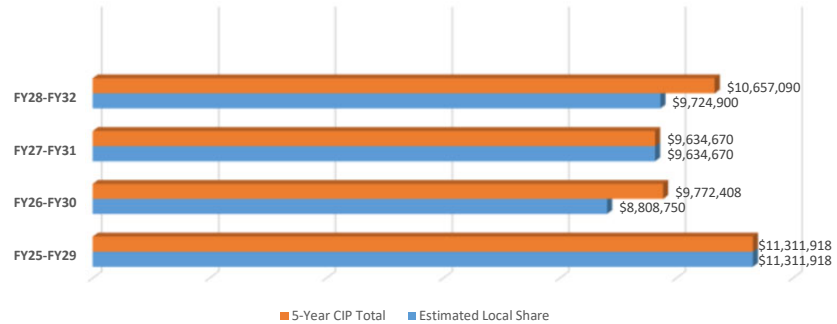
5-Year Capital Improvement Plan FY28-FY32

Analysis Tables



Projects By Department						
	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	5 Year Total
Facilities	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 175,000	\$ 681,842	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,362,122	\$ 7,656,342
Information Technology	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 132,422	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 132,422
Athletics	\$ -	\$ 1,728,326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 590,000	\$ 2,318,326
Food Services	\$ -	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550,000
Instructional (Furniture, Equipment)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 4,053,758	\$ 2,453,326	\$ 814,264	\$ 1,383,620	\$ 1,952,122	\$ 10,657,090

CIP History					
	FY25-FY29	FY26-FY30	FY27-FY31	FY28-FY32	
Estimated Local Share	\$ 11,311,918	\$ 8,808,750	\$ 9,634,670	\$ 9,724,900	
5-Year CIP Total	\$ 11,311,918	\$ 9,772,408	\$ 9,634,670	\$ 10,657,090	
Number of Projects	28	21	14	15	



5-Year Capital Improvement Plan FY28-FY32

Reconciliation to Prior CIP and Cumulative Build

Updated - BW 7/29/26



Facilities Department

	Project Count	Value	Cumulative
FY27-FY31 CIP	14		\$ 9,634,671
Less: Funded FY27	5		\$ 1,935,000
Add back multi-year projects	2		
Carry-Forward to FY28-FY32 CIP	11		\$ 7,699,671

Projects slated for FY32 in Long Range Plan, entering plan in Year 5 (FY32)

Brown Pavement Restoration- Access Road and Bus Loop	1	\$ 412,122	
Subtotal	1	\$ 412,122	\$ 8,111,793
Add-on 1 year to Security Improvement Program		\$ 75,000	\$ 8,186,793

New Projects Added to FY32 (Year 5)

DHHS/Polson Storage Barn Conversion to Field House	1	\$ 590,000	
DHHS Domestic Hot Water System Replacement	1	\$ 450,000	
Polson Hydronic Loop Controls Upgrade	1	\$ 325,000	
Polson Restroom Refreshes (multi-year, year 5 amount only)	1	\$ 100,000	
Subtotal	4	\$ 1,465,000	\$ 9,651,793

New projects pulled in to Year 3 from Polson Bond Project Schedule

Polson Painting/Wall Treatments Common Areas	1	\$ 235,500	
Subtotal	1	\$ 235,500	\$ 9,887,293

New Projects - Emergent Issues- Year 1-4

DHHS Pavement Restoration (Slated for FY32, pulled forward 1 year)	1	\$ 1,208,620	
Polson Restroom Refreshes (multi-year- \$100k/yr; yr 5 above)		\$ 400,000	
Brown Fire Alarm Device Replacement- FY28 (Year 1)	1	\$ 150,000	
Subtotal	2	\$ 1,758,620	\$ 11,645,913

Moved from 5-Year Plan to On Deck

Brown Café Flooring	-1	\$ (87,947)	
DHHS Waste Treatment Plant	-1	\$ (475,000)	
DHHS Furniture-Classrooms	-1	\$ (200,000)	
Brown Window Repacement	-1	\$ (300,000)	
Subtotal	-4	\$ (1,062,947)	\$ 10,582,966

Misc: Added \$200k to restore Brown Kitchen budget to original scope level (FY29)		\$ 200,000	\$ 10,782,966
Reduction in budget for DHHS Roof Replacement- Based on Architect's Est		\$ (125,876)	\$ 10,657,090

FY28-FY32 CIP Total	15	\$	10,657,090
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Change from FY27-FY32 CIP	1	\$	1,022,419
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Donation (Cash / Property) to the Madison Public Schools

Completion of this form is required prior to the district's consideration of a proposed donation to the Madison Public Schools. This form is to be completed in its entirety and submitted to the building principal / assistant principal, Athletic Director, or Superintendent prior to receipt of any donated goods, services, or funds. The school principal may approve gifts to a school that are valued at \$500 to \$1,000 and meet criteria established by the administrative regulations established in accordance with this policy. Donations valued in excess of \$1,000 must be approved by the Board of Education. (Reference Policy #3281)

Date Form Completed: June 12, 2026 Organization /

Individual Making Donation: Neck River PTO Address: c/o 180 Mungertown Road, Madison, CT

06443 Phone #: _____

Description of Donation / Gift and intended use: Proceeds from Neck River's PTO Book Fair to be used to purchase library books for 2026-2027

Approximate Value: \$2,102.41 to be deposited in Neck River Media Supply Account GE42028F-56421

Recipient(s) name: Neck River Elementary School

Acknowledgements: (optional)

In honor/memory of: _____

Acknowledgement Contact: Neck River Elementary School PTO

Acknowledgement Address: _____ % 180 Mungertown Road, Madison, CT 06443

This request cannot be acted up on before the building Principal / Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, or Superintendent has been consulted concerning this gift. Please provide the name/signature of the person who was consulted.

Signature of Person Consulted: Becky Frost / Becky Frost, Principal _____

Are there conditions of use attached to the gift/donation: Yes No

If yes, please explain conditions: To purchase library books for the 2026-2027 school year

Are there installation, site preparation, labor, or equipment costs needed for installation, etc.? Yes No

If yes, who is responsible for the costs? Cost included in donation amount. _____

What is the annual maintenance cost of the donation, if any? Yes No

Are there any other additional costs to the District? Yes No

(Signature of Donor)

- For Central Office Use Only

Accepted by Superintendent: [Signature]
Signature Date

Accepted by Board of Education on: _____
Date



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Date Form Completed: 7.30.26

Organization / Individual Making Donation: South Central Regional Council of Governments

Address: 127 Washington St., 4th Fl West, North Haven, CT 06473

Phone #: 203-234-7555

Description of Donation / Gift and intended use: Donation for bike rack(s) purchase. Total dollar amount to be deposited in Neck River's Donation Account - DO181NG-59003

Experiences _____

Approximate Value: \$2,222.00

Recipient(s) name: Neck River Elementary School

Acknowledgements: (optional)

In honor/memory of: _____

Acknowledgement Contact: Kellie Kingston, MS, Leed GA Transportation Planner

Acknowledgement Address: 127 Washington Ave, North Haven, CT 06473

This request cannot be acted up on before the building Principal / Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, or Superintendent has been consulted concerning this gift. Please provide the name/signature of the person who was consulted.

Signature of Person Consulted: *Red Fox*

Are there conditions of use attached to the gift/donation: **Yes** No

If yes, please explain conditions: Use to purchase a bike rack for Neck River School

Are there installation, site preparation, labor, or equipment costs needed for installation, etc.? **Yes** No

If yes, who is responsible for the costs? n/a

What is the annual maintenance cost of the donation, if any? **Yes** No

Are there any other additional costs to the District? **Yes** No

(Signature of Donor)

For Central Office Use Only
Accepted by Superintendent: *[Signature]*
Signature Date

Accepted by Board of Education on: _____
Date



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Date Form Completed: July 30, 2026

Organization / Individual Making Donation: (Ryerson) Brown School PTO

Address: 980 Durham Road, Madison CT

(Street, city, zip)

Phone #: _____

Description of Donation / Gift and intended use: 25-68 End of Year Gift for school's Wish list, Trips, and Donation.

Approximate Value: \$46,746.50

Recipient(s) name: Kelly Spooner OBO: Brown Elementary School

Acknowledgements: (optional)

In honor/memory of: _____

Acknowledgement Contact: _____

Acknowledgement Address: _____

This request cannot be acted up on before the building Principal / Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, or Superintendent has been consulted concerning this gift. Please provide the name/signature of the person who was consulted.

Signature of Person Consulted: 

Are there conditions of use attached to the gift/donation: ☐ Yes ☒ No

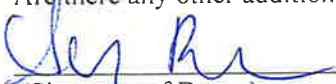
If yes, please explain conditions: _____

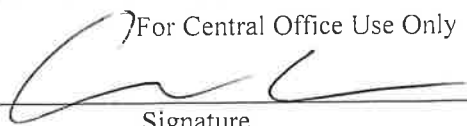
Are there installation, site preparation, labor, or equipment costs needed for installation, etc.? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, who is responsible for the costs? _____

What is the annual maintenance cost of the donation, if any? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any other additional costs to the District? ☐ Yes ☒ No


(Signature of Donor)

Accepted by Superintendent: 
Signature

8/4/26
Date

Accepted by Board of Education on: _____
Date

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2026 7:00 PM

Daniel Hand High School - Library Media
Center/Zoom
10 Campus Drive
Madison, CT 06443

Subject to Approval

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order / Attendance

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Seth Klaskin. Mr. Klaskin led the pledge of allegiance.

Present: Galen Cawley, Mary Ann Connelly, Lisa Deane, Diane Infantine-Vyce, Seth Klaskin, Maureen Lewis, Emily Rosenthal, Jessica Wilen

Also present: Craig A Cooke, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools; Gail Dahling-Hench, Assistant Superintendent

II. School / Community Session

No members of the public spoke.

III. Board of Education Student Representatives' Report

Grace Ackerman and Katherine Rizzo

Grace shared information about Class of 2026 senior events including prom, senior awards night, exams, and graduation. She also gave an update on the standing of spring sports teams. Kate shared the school just had its last wellness Wednesday of the year, T3 exams begin June 15, and juniors just received information about senior portraits.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Craig A. Cooke, Ph.D.

- Board of Education Student Representative Recognition / Introduction of new Student Representative - Dr. Cooke thanked Grace Ackerman for her service on the Board and introduced the new student representative, Ethan Scheps.
- End-of-Year Events – Dr. Cooke reviewed the upcoming important end-of-the-year events.

V. Board Members' Comments

Mr. Klaskin gave a speech reflecting on his time on the Board. Other members offered Mr. Klaskin their congratulations and best wishes.

VI. Audience Response to Information Presented (Ref. Bylaw #9540.10)

No members of the public spoke.

VII. Consent Agenda (Ref. Bylaw #9540.2)

- Line Item Transfers as of June 4, 2026

- Budget Expenditures as of June 4, 2026
- May 2026 Personnel Report

VIII. Action Item: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

MOTION: by Cawley, seconded by Rosenthal to approve the consent agenda.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

IX. Board Committees / Liaison Updates (Ref. Bylaw #9450)

Curriculum and Student Development

Members: Catherine Miller, Chair; Mary Ann Connelly, Jessica Wilen

Mr. Klaskin gave a brief overview of the June 3 committee meeting. The curriculum units presented at the meeting are on the agenda for adoption this evening.

Facilities Committee

Members: Emily Rosenthal, Chair; Diane Infantine-Vyce, Lisa Deane

No report.

Finance Committee

Members: Galen Cawley, Chair, Emily Rosenthal, Jessica Wilen

No report.

Personnel Committee

Members: Maureen Lewis, Chair; Catherine Miller, Mary Ann Connelly

No report.

Policy Committee

Members: Diane Infantine-Vyce, Chair; Maureen Lewis, Galen Cawley

Dr. Infantine-Vyce reviewed the policies on the agenda for a first reading or action.

Policies for Review, First Reading:

- 5030.2 Interdistrict School Attendance Areas

Policies for Review, Waive Second Reading:

- 5040 Admission to the Public Schools at or Before Age 5
- 5090.9 Use of Private Technological Devices by Students

LEARN Liaison

Galen Cawley

No report.

X. Action Item: Motion to approve the proposed Art, ELA, Math, and Social Studies curriculum units recommended by the Curriculum & Student Development Committee.

MOTION: by Connelly, seconded by Wilen to approve the proposed Art, ELA, Math, and Social Studies curriculum units recommended by the Curriculum & Student Development Committee.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XI. Action Item: Motion to waive the second reading and approve the following policies: 5040 Admission to the Public Schools at or Before Age 5, 5090.9 Use of Private Technological Devices by Students

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Rosenthal to waive the second reading and approve the following policies: 5040 Admission to the Public Schools at or Before Age 5, 5090.9 Use of Private Technological Devices by Students.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XII. Action Item: Motion to authorize the Finance Committee Chair to close out the 2025-2026 fiscal year directly with the Finance Director.

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Wilen to authorize the Finance Committee Chair to close out the 2025-2026 fiscal year directly with the Finance Director.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XIII. Action Item: Motion to accept the resignation of Board member Seth Klaskin effective June 18, 2026 at 4 p.m. (Ref. Bylaw #9220.3)

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Cawley to accept the resignation of Board member Seth Klaskin effective June 18, 2026 at 4 p.m.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin,
Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XIV. Action Item: Election of Board Chairperson effective June 19, 2026. (Ref. Bylaw #9420)

MOTION: by Klaskin, seconded by Cawley to elect Emily
Rosenthal Board Chairperson effective June 19, 2026.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin,
Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XV. Action Item: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2026 Board of Education Meeting (Ref. Bylaw #9540.9)

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Rosenthal to
approve the minutes of the May 26, 2026 Board of
Education Meeting.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin,
Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XVI. Discuss the evaluation of the Superintendent and take possible action on the Central Office
Contract (discussion proposed for Executive Session)

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Lewis to enter
into executive session to discuss the Central Office contract
at 8:11 p.m. and invite in Superintendent of Schools Dr.
Cooke.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin,
Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Deane to return
to regular session at 9:15 p.m.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin,
Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:
MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

Possible Action Item: Motion to approve the Superintendent’s contract and authorize the Board Chair to finalize terms in accordance with discussions in Executive Session.

MOTION: by Infantine-Vyce, seconded by Connelly to approve the Superintendent’s contract and authorize the Board Chair to finalize terms in accordance with discussions in Executive Session.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

XVII. Future Agenda Items

XVIII. Adjournment

MOTION: by Deane, seconded by Wilen to adjourn at 9:17 p.m.

AYES: Cawley, Connelly, Deane, Infantine-Vyce, Klaskin, Lewis, Rosenthal, Wilen

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

MOTION CARRIED: 8 – 0

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