

NEW MILFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
50 East Street
New Milford, Connecticut 06776

SCHOOL FACILITY AND UTILIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

DATE: March 27, 2013
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: Sarah Noble Intermediate School—Library Media Center

AGENDA

New Milford Public Schools Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, educators, family, and community, is to prepare each and every student to compete and excel in an ever-changing world, embrace challenges with vigor, respect and appreciate the worth of every human being, and contribute to society by providing effective instruction and dynamic curriculum, offering a wide range of valuable experiences, and inspiring students to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

1. Review of Priority Concerns
2. Grade Reconfiguration Considerations
3. Alternatives for the Future
4. Discussion
5. Adjourn

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 School Facility & Utilization Study Committee
 March 27, 2013
 Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center**

<p>Present:</p>	<p>Rebecca Augur, Senior Planner, Milone & MacBroom Thomas Jokubaitis, Educational Consultant Jim Barrett, Architect, Drumney Rosane Anderson</p> <p>Ellamae Baldelli, Director of Human Resources, Resident Walter Bayer, Retired Educator, Resident John Calhoun, Facilities Manager Michael Crespan, Director of Public Health Terri Ellis, Parent Beth Falder, Parent, Member of the Board of Finance Wendy Faulenbach, Board of Education Chair, Parent Virginia Langrebe, NMHS Teacher, Resident Justin Mack, SNIS Teacher, Resident Thomas McSherry, Board of Education Member Gregg Miller, Director of Fiscal Services, Resident Donna Molinaro, H & P Teacher, Resident Laura Olson, Director of Pupil Personnel & Special Services, Resident JeanAnn Paddyfote, Superintendent of Schools Thomas Pilla, Builder, Member of the Pension Committee, Grandparent Lynette Celli Rigdon, Board of Education Member Michele Romaniello, Parent, District-wide President of the NMPTO Gretchen Rondini, JPS Teacher, Parent Josh Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Julia Taborsak, Parent Len Tomasello, SNIS Interim Principal, Resident Frank Wargo, Member, Town Council</p>
<p>Absent:</p>	<p>Thomas Esposito, Parent, Member of the Town Council Paula Kelleher, Principal of John Pettibone School, Parent Theresa McGuinness, SMS Teacher, Parent Olga Rella, Parent David Shaffer, Board of Education Member Patricia Thalassinios, NES Teacher, Parent</p>


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1.	Facilities Utilization & Study Committee Meeting Summary Consultants reviewed priority concerns identified at the previous meeting and by which alternative scenarios will be measured. They include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain low class sizes• Responsibly Maintain or Reduce Operating Costs While Ensuring Ability to Respond to Future Needs• Minimize Transportation Times and Costs to the Extent Possible Educational considerations for changing grade configurations were reviewed. The consultants then reviewed potential scenarios that include locating 6 th – 8 th grades at Schaghticoke, and various ways of locating PreK/K - 5 th grades in 3 elementary schools, possibly including Sarah Noble. One scenario also reviewed the potential of locating an Early Learning Center (PreK/K) at Pettibone with additional space available for other District uses. The consensus of the committee was to further explore a PreK – 2 nd , 3 rd – 5 th , and 6 th – 8 th configuration with three or possibly two elementary schools. The committee understood that redistricting elementary attendance areas would likely be required under such a configuration.
2.	Adjourn <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


JeanAnn C. Paddyfote, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools