

Elementary School Building Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 1, 2021, 12:00 PM, Meeting Recording

Members Present: Dwayne Chamble, Anthony Delaney, Allison Estes, Benjamin Herrington, Sean Mangano, Phoebe Merriam, Rupert Roy-Clark, Jonathan Salvon, Cathy Schoen, Michael Morris, Paul Bockelman, Stephen Schreiber,

Members Not Present: Diane Chamberlain

Others: Margaret Wood (OPM)

Next meeting: To be determined

1. Call to Order

Ms. Schoen called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM, conducted via remote participation pursuant to the Governor's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL ch. 30A §18. The meeting was recorded for subsequent posting on the Town website.

2. Review MSBA comments on the draft RFS for designer services and edit as needed

Ms. Wood shared MSBA comments on the designer RFS and led the committee through a review of the comments. Ms. Wood confirmed that the project is on the queue for the MSBA Sept 15th review of designer applications. Ms. Wood explained the rationale for the construction cost estimates and described other corrections to the document. The committee discussed various components of the document including the timeline and the types of consultants to be included on the designer team. Ms. Wood described the MSBA review process of proposals from designers. The group then discussed the number of hard copies to request from designers and what committee members will represent the building committee at the MSBA review.

Ms. Schoen made a motion to approve final draft of the designer RFS. Seconded by Mr. Bockelman.
Motion passed unanimously.

3. Update on school committee timeline to decide whether to move 6th grade to the middle school

Dr. Morris shared more information on the timeline. Dr. Morris shared his screen and walked the committee through a draft timeline that was shared with School Committee. Dr. Morris described the space challenges at the elementary schools. Mr. Schreiber asked about the decision-making process for moving the sixth grade which was addressed by Dr. Morris.

4. Review meeting schedule for the Fall and decide on day of the week/time of day

Ms. Schoen commented that she will send something to the committee about the times that work for the committee for future meetings.

5. Vote on whether to continue to meet by zoom

Not discussed.

6. Public Comment

Bruce Coldham shared support for a daylighting consultant. Toni Cunningham asked questions around the timeline for sixth grade transition, the development of an education plan, the inclusion of a climate resiliency hub, and redistricting.

7. Items Not Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours before the Meeting

None

8. Adjournment

Ms. Schoen adjourned at 1:02 PM.

9. Documents Presented

Draft of Designer RFS

Draft Timeline for Decision RE: 6th to Middle School