

**Facilities Advisory Committee
Barrington School Committee
Barrington, RI 02806**

MINUTES OF FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE VIRTUAL MEETING – June 3, 2021

Present at the meeting were Anna Clancy, Doug Fiore, Bill Dwyer, Brian Valentine, Gino Sangiuliano, Patrick Guthlein, Patrick McCrann, Skip Learned, Steve Marchetti, Mike Messore and Erika Severson. Absent was Robert Wilmarth

Mr. Messore welcomed Steve Marchetti to the Committee. Mr. Marchetti is a special education teacher at the Nayatt School.

Mr. Fiore gave an overview of the process the Committee followed to identify potential firms for the Facilities Master Plan. The Committee reviewed 4 vendors at the last meeting.

Although Kaestle Boos Associates (KBA) scored the highest, their pricing came in at \$295,000 where RJB's pricing was significantly lower at \$180,000. Mr. Fiore consulted with the District's attorney and asked if the District could go back to KBA and ask them to revisit their assumptions and see if they would come back a little lower. The attorney agreed that this was allowable and so the District went back to KBA and asked them to revisit their pricing. KBA came back with a revised bid of \$255,000.

The Committee discussed that with the new figures from KBA and the fact that KBA had the highest scoring with the group with regards to their presentation and after the District did their due diligence researching RJB and found some concerns they were comfortable making a recommendation to the School Committee to move forward with KBA.

It was also discussed that there will be a need to do some catch up work regarding the prior meeting minutes at the next meeting.

Mr. Fiore also discussed with the Committee the timeline for the project. It is expected that KBA will begin sometime next week and will be able to complete most of Stage 1 this summer. This will allow the District to get the information in September to RIDE for reimbursement.

Mr. Fiore explained that RIDE is the recipient of Stage I and II findings and they will make an evaluation based on that on how they will fund the District and at what level. Mr. Fiore also stated that RIDE has offered to be part of the "kick-off" meeting and get involved with KBA to discuss what the objectives are at the beginning of the project and Mr. Fiore recommends that we utilize RIDE in this capacity.

Mr. Fiore made a motion to recommend to the School Committee to enter into an agreement with KBA to perform our Stage I and State II facilities master plan for a cost not to exceed \$255,000. Mr. McCrann seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

It was discussed that the next step would be to get a schedule for the project and to possibly have another meeting the first of July.

Mr. Fiore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 pm. Mr. McCrann seconded. The motion passed unanimously.