

Barrington School Building Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022
Barrington Middle School Student Union

Present were Ms. Crean, Dr. Dillon, Mr. Fiore, Mr. Glum, Mr. Guthlein, Mr. Marchetti, Mr. McCrann, Mr. Messor, Dr. Rosengard, Mr. Sangiuliano, and Mr. Valentine

Also present was Ms. Jessup and Mr. Trim of KBA

Mr. Fiore called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

A. Stage II Update/Scope - [KBA Presentation 11.01.22](#)

a. Discussion - Pathway refinement/selection and Scope

- Ms. Jessup reviewed two long term pathways and projected cost
 1. ELC / Upper Elementary School
 2. Sister Schools two (2) PK-2 and two (2) 3-5
- Possible Stage II submission timelines were reviewed based on construction project(s) that may be included in scope.
- Priority 1 & 2's in all schools will need to be addressed as part of the Stage II submission
- Committee members posed questions throughout the presentation and discussion ensued

b. KBA Update - including timeline update, educator outreach sessions, and Stage II Priority I and II items

B. Public Comment

- Brenda Santos, 129 Metropolitan Park Drive - Ms. Santos feels that a new elementary school at the Primrose Hill location would be a loss of a neighborhood school. Ms. Santos read an email she sent to committee members about her concerns regarding the long term pathways being discussed.
- Robert Swarts, 421 Sowams Rd - Mr. Swarts understands time has been spent with students and educators but feels that the committee does not have public support and should send out a meaningful survey to determine this.
- Martha Sanchez, 330 Sowams Rd - Ms. Sanchez feels the committee needs more community engagement given that this decision significantly impacts taxpayers. She feels more information is needed to determine best practices for the District.
- Megan Lavigne, 17 Highview Ave - Ms. Lavigne feels that the two options presented are relatively similar and a new elementary school would provide flexibility for the future. Ms. Lavigne asked if the new school could be at the Hampden Meadows location instead of Primrose Hill and keep existing neighborhood schools.
- Maura McCrann, 4 Woodford Rd - Ms. McCrann feels the two options presented show promise but still feels there needs to be more community feedback through surveys to get support for a bond when the time comes. Ms. McCrann spoke about the possibility of utilizing temporary modular units during construction.
- Jessica Liberatos, 4 Deep Meadow Rd - Ms. Liberatos expressed her frustration with the timing of the meetings and lack of community involvement.

C. Discussion and possible vote - Scope of Project

- Mr. Fiore opened the floor to questions from the committee members regarding the long term pathways reviewed and discussion ensued including discussion of the site location for a proposed 3 - 5 Elementary school; Primrose vs. Hampden Meadows
- Committee members were asked to vote by a show of hands which pathway they preferred
 - i. ELC / Upper Elementary - 6 votes with location of 3 - 5 upper elementary school to be determined
 - ii. Sister Schools - 0 votes
- Mr. Fiore then asked for a consensus by a show of hands to take the week to look at the site location for a new 3-5 Upper Elementary school; Primrose Hill vs. Hampden Meadows - 8 votes
 - i. KBA will present potential cost estimates and provide more information for a new 3-5 Upper Elementary school at the both locations at next meeting on Thursday November

D. Approval of Minutes 10.18.22 and 10.25.22

- Minutes were not available for approval

Mr. Fiore asked for a motion to adjourn at 6:03 p.m. Motion was so moved by Mr. McCrann, seconded by Ms. Crean, and approved unanimously.