Barrington School Building Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2022 4:00 p.m.
Barrington Middle School PD Room

Present were Ms. Crean, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Fiore, Mr. Guthlein, Mr. Marchetti, Mr. McCrann, Mr. Messore, Mr. Peck, Dr. Rosengard, Mr. Sangiuliano, Mr. Valentine, and Mr. Wilmarth

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

Mr. Fiore called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m and welcomed Mr. Thomas Peck to the Committee

Mr. Peck stated the process has been long to date and thanked everyone for sticking with the process. Mr. Peck looks forward to working in a collaborative manner with the Committee and Community.

Stage II Update/Scope -
KBA Update - including timeline update & OPM Discussion
Mr. Fiore introduced Mr. Manuel Cordero, former RIDE Educational Facility Planner that oversaw school construction for the State of RI who now helps districts through the Necessity of School Construction process. Mr. Cordero explained the OPM requirements starting with background information. Committee members posed questions and discussion ensued.

[KBA Presentation BSBC Mtg 12.13.2022](#)
Summary of Project for Stage II Submission reviewed by Ms. Jessup and Mr. Trim
Discussion - Priority I and II items and feedback from building principals
Discussion - HIVE Projects
Ms. Jessup reviewed future programmatic arrangements for current K-3 schools; Nayatt, Primrose Hill, and Sowams including new safe entry vestibules, rooms (library, conference, multipurpose) classroom configurations, etc. which would occur after construction of new Hampden Meadows School with grade 3 moving to HMS. Plans for the new Hampden Meadows School were then reviewed.

Committee members posed questions throughout the review and discussion ensued.

During the presentation Mr. Peck stated that as stepping in as Chair of this Committee, one of the things he is focused on is making sure of moving forward with all the work that has been done to date in a very collaborative manner. Mr. Peck feels there is more potential for creativity in the designs of the schools but was impressed at the presentation from KBA given the time constraints. Mr. Peck stated that a future discussion would be on the next School Committee agenda to submit the Stage I in February, pushing out the Stage II submission.

Ms. Jessup and Mr. Trim stated they would need a formal notification from the School Committee of new direction.

OPM/Commissioning Agent - Discussion regarding selection process
Mr. Peck feels that hiring an OPM/Commissioning agent would be beneficial due to the possible scale of the project. Mr. Fiore stated that utilizing the list of pre-approved OPM on the RI State MPA would save the District valuable time with the RFP process.

Public Comments

David Sanchas 300 New Meadow Rd - Mr. Sanchas stated he felt plans for the new Hampden Meadows School shows most of the woods being cleared and the building right on top of the pond where children play. Mr. Sanchas also stated he is shocked that the District is considering a three story building which would be out of place in the neighborhood. He feels that the current plan would be substantially more expensive than building three new K-5 elementary schools. He also feels the town has spoken with the election of the new school committee members and he is happy to have them on the Building Committee. He feels the town would prefer to keep neighborhood schools.

Approval of Minutes 11.1.2022

Mr. Fiore asked for a motion to accept the minutes from 11.1.2022, Mr. Peck so moved, seconded by Mr. Guthlein, and approved unanimously.

Set Next Meeting Dates

Meeting dates will be discussed after the next School Committee meeting.

Mr. Peck acknowledged and thanked the volunteers and stated that moving forward to try and forecast and project the schedule out as much as possible to be respectful of the volunteers of this sub committee; minimum 30 days out.

Mr. Fiore asked for a motion to adjourn at 5:37 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Dwyer, seconded by Mr. Peck, and approved unanimously.