

Arlington High School Building Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
AHS-School Committee Room-Sixth Floor
6:00 pm

Present: Jeff Thielman, School Committee Representative, Chair
Kathleen Bodie, Superintendent, Co-vice chair
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Co-vice chair
Kirsi Allison-Ampe, School Committee Representative
Francis Callahan, Community Member Representative
John Cole, Chair, Permanent Town Building Committee
John Danizio, APS Chief Financial Officer
Patrick Goddard, Interim Facilities Representative
Tobey Jackson, Community Member Representative
Matthew Janger, AHS Principal
Ryan Katofsky, Community Member Representative
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal
Judson Pierce, Community Member Representative
Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager
Brian Rehrig, Capital Planning Committee Member
Daniel Ruiz, Community Member Representative
Amy Speare, Community Member Representative
Shannon Knuth, Teacher Representative
Alicia Majid, Teacher Representative
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative

Also present: Chuck Adam, Jim Burrows, Skanska Inc.
Lori Cowles, Arthur Duffy, HMFH Architects, Inc.

Call to order: 6:00 pm

Public Participation

None

Existing Conditions Study Update

Lori Cowles, HMFH Architects, presented a PowerPoint on the:

- ◆ Existing conditions stats
- ◆ Existing site diagram
- ◆ Renovation/improvement scope
- ◆ The accessibility code review document is in progress.

Two different renovation/addition options will likely be presented to the committee and MSBA because a renovation only does not meet the enrollment capacity would be ruled out as a nonviable option.

Next Steps Discussion

Jim Burrows OPM, reviewed the updated master schedule and the updated work plan and deliverables tracking. Questions on when to consider other options i.e. gymnasium with a track, a field house, pool, senior center etc. Skanska explained that a pool is not allowed in any plans that are submitted to MSBA. A track/gym or field house could be submitted and MSBA could decide if they would accept the plan but only reimburse for the approved gymnasium square footage.

Town Manager, Adam Chapdelaine, informed the committee that the Senior Center is being renovated and will not be part of the high school; in addition, the DPW Project Team has been hired, it is possible that the facilities department could be housed there.

Committee members had questions on, how are decisions made and by whom, when will all MSBA non reimbursables items be included in the design and what is our educational plan?

Dr. Bodie reported that the committee would be making the decisions on what is submitted to MSBA in terms of what we want i.e. larger auditorium, maker spaces, expanded gymnasium etc. based on whatever the educational plan identifies as a priority.

March 6th space summary template and educational plan to the committee (Friday before) with a list of extra wants.

March 20th Preliminary Evaluation of Alternatives for:

- ◆ Repair only option
- ◆ Renovation
- ◆ New building
- ◆ Addition/Renovation

April 3rd further input from the committee.

Ryan Katofsky wants the committee to explore more net zero options including an Anaerobic Digestion System.

The committee had concerns relative to having sufficient time to review within the April 24th timeframe, questioning if more time is needed for deliberating in the event that March 6 & 20 is not enough time.

The committee will increase the March meetings for two hours if need be, with the possibility of adding a meeting on April 10th.

Subcommittee Reports

The communications subcommittee reported that the second forum will take place on February 7th (Snow date February 13th).

The forum will be presentations by David Stephen and Matt Janger, video, breakout groups and a Q&A. The format will be similar to the previous one with building committee facilitators, sign-in/bulletin sign-up at tables, and index cards for questions.

The next forum on March 5th will be held at AHS with building tours and follow up discussion with David Stephen.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Kirsi Allison-Ampe seconded by John Cole it was unanimously:
Voted approval of meeting minutes of January 16, 2018.

New Business

Matt Janger and Bill McCarthy have been meeting with students for input on building project as well as HMFH meeting separately.

The next scheduled meeting is February 27th at 6:00 pm.

On a motion by Kate Loosian seconded by John Cole it was unanimously:
Voted to adjourn @ 7:25 pm.

Submitted by:
Karen Tassone
Recording Secretary