

Arlington High School Building Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 2, 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
Tobey Jackson, Community Member Representative
Matthew Janger, AHS Principal (@6:15)
Ryan Katofsky, Community Member Representative
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal
Steve Nesterak, Facilities Director (absent)
Judson Pierce, Community Member
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
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative

Also present: Jim Burrows, Victoria Clifford, Skanska Inc.
Lori Cowles, Arthur Duffy, Melissa Greene, HMFH Architects, Inc.

Call to order: 6:00 pm

Public Participation

Carl Wagner – noted that there are no changes in option 3A – questioned what costs are included in the 308 million project.

Ron Alex – Save as much as possible, go forward in a positive way.

Grant Cook – thanked the committee for the September forum – current façade does not work.

Steve DeCoursey – concerned with the front green, traffic flow around the building.

Ian Goodsall – what are the next steps if the debt exclusion if not approved.

Feasibility Study Budget Update

Jim Burrows reviewed the budget dashboard and updated the numbers by cost code.

HMFH

◆ Green Space Design

HMFH presented four draft options to highlight expanded green space – total square footage remains the same on each diagram.

The Mass Avenue façade draft concepts were reviewed including:

- ◆ Site Plans – Historic, Auditorium, Sustainable and Education
- ◆ Diagrams and massing’s – Historic, Auditorium, Sustainable and Education

- ◆ Perspectives and elevation - Historic Auditorium Sustainable and Education
- ◆ Elements of Design Discussion

HMFH presented – the definition of what is iconic: widely recognized and well established – widely known and acknowledged for its excellence. Showed examples of iconic buildings, discussed New England architecture. Supt Bodie requested that HMFH show a design that has strong similarities as the current façade.

Communications Subcommittee Report

The Subcommittee is working on:

- ◆ November 5th Town Meeting Members will tour Arlington High School, followed by an information session in old hall.
- ◆ A Question & Answer session at the Senior Center mid-day on November 10th or 17th.
- ◆ Speaking to PTO's during October and November
- ◆ True Story Theater will work the community on the AHS project on November 7th at the Thompson School.
- ◆ The AHS blog to address misconceptions on the project

Sustainability Subcommittee

Ryan Katofsky requested that committee members fill out his survey as soon as possible. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for October 11th at 2:30 p,

Finance Subcommittee

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 4th.

Approval of minutes

On a motion by Adam Chapdelaine seconded by Brian Rehrig it was unanimously Voted to approve the meeting minutes of September 4, 2018

On a motion by Adam Chapdelaine seconded by Brian Rehrig it was unanimously Voted to approve the meeting minutes of September 17, 2018.

New Business

- ◆ Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine reported that Minuteman Technical is not interested in partnering with Arlington during the rebuild process.
- ◆ HMFH is looking at the Parmenter School for housing non educational spaces.
- ◆ Tentatively the comptroller's offices will be housed at town hall, facilities and IT at DPW.
- ◆ Discussed the timing of the debt exclusion and operating override there will be more clarity as the Long Term Planning Committee meets over the winter. The Select Board is the gatekeeper in making the decision on when the vote will take place.
- ◆ The chair announced that there will be opportunity going forward for citizens input during the end of each meeting.

On a motion by Ryan Katofsky seconded by Daniel Ruiz it was unanimously:

Voted to adjourn @ 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Karen Tassone
Recording Secretary
AHS Building Committee