

## Arlington High School Building Committee

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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Conducted via Remote Participation

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Committee members: Jeff Thielman, School Committee Representative, Chair  
Elizabeth Homan, Superintendent, Co-vice chair  
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Co-vice chair  
Kirsi Allison-Ampe, School Committee Representative  
Francis Callahan, Community Member Representative  
John Cole, Former Chair, Permanent Town Building

Committee

Tobey Jackson, Community Member Representative  
Matthew Janger, AHS Principal, absent  
Ryan Katofsky, Community Member Representative  
Brett Lambert, PTBC Representative, absent  
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative  
Michael Mason, APS Chief Financial Officer, absent  
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal  
Judson Pierce, Community Member  
Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager  
Paul Raia, Disabilities Commission Representative, absent  
Jim Feeney, Asst. Town Manager, Town of Arlington, absent  
Amy Speare, Community Member Representative  
Shannon Knuth, Teacher Representative  
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative

Also present: Jim Burrows, Victoria Clifford, Sy Nguyen, Skanska  
Lori Cowles, Arthur Duffy, HMFH Architects, Inc.  
John LaMarre, Chris Webber, Dave Dockendorf, Consigli  
Karen Fitzgerald, AHSBC Recording Secretary

Jeff Thielman opened the meeting at 6:04 p.m. and summarized the open meeting law due to the governor's order dated March 12, 2020 on meetings by remote participation via Zoom. Jeff acknowledged the great event yesterday in the new lobby of the new STEAM wing of the high school.

Jim Burrows thanked Sy Nguyen for organizing the move that happened last weekend from the old building to the new building. The old furniture is being donated and Consigli will take care of any trash. Jim provided an update on the Phase 2 materials which was included in the packet. Change Order # 11 in the amount of \$108,518.53 had been reviewed and voted by the AHS Building Committee Finance subcommittee, HMFH and Skanska at a previous Finance meeting which they are recommending to the full AHS Building Committee for approval tonight. Frank Callahan asked if all previous change orders under \$100,000. are available to view, Ryan Katofsky asked if their cost associated to the heat was related to Eversource. Jim acknowledged changes are available to view and the heat was related to Eversource.

On a **motion** made by Adam Chapdelaine, seconded by Kate Loosian, it was recommended to approve the Consigli change order #11 in the amount of \$108,518, 53 as approved by the AHS Building Committee Finance subcommittee. Roll Call: Liz Homan, Yes, Adam Chapdelaine Yes, Kirsi Allison-Ampe abstain, Frank Callahan Yes, John Cole, Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Kate Loosian Yes, Bill McCarthy Yes, Judson Peirce Yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Amy Speare Yes, and Jeff Thielman Yes.

### Consigli Update

John LaMarre gave update on Phase 1:

- Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) scheduled for 2/11/22, and was achieved on 2/10/22, (1) day ahead of schedule. Building is satisfactory and tremendous space for students.
- The auditorium, the stage extension was installed. The stage rigging is in and waiting on curtains that is in storage and will go in last few weeks in March. PCO was all tested and inspected.
- Lighting will come late April and will continue to keep everyone posted on program on auditorium.
- Supply chain material & transportation continue and work around continue to being implemented without compromising the design.
- Current materials; casework, exterior door card reader access, production lab sound equipment, theatrical lights, acoustic wood doors, appliances, lighting controls. The installations on these will be scheduled as timely as possible but not to impede the school day.

John continued to provide an update on Phase 2:

- The school move out from Fusco to Collumb has been completed, and the salvaging is out of the existing school and underway by Consigli.

- It is critical for the schedule for the commencement of asbestos abatement.
- Site preparation is well underway for the installation of weather proof walls.
- Putting up temporary protection in walkway in the courtyard.
- Mill brook traffic main entrance #2 fencing will begin this week, and we would like students and parents go to front of building instead of the back.

Amy Speare asked if the demolishing of the Collumb House would happen before the next building meeting. John said yes, in late March.

### Subcommittee Reports

◆ Communications – Amy Speare was happy the event of the new wing went very well yesterday. Amy thanked Liz Homan and Matthew Janger for giving last minute tours. Liz suggested if anyone was still interested in receiving a tour to contact Karen Fitzgerald to set it up. Amy was disappointed that the website coincidentally went down the day the new wings opened. IT is working on this to get it up and running. ACMI was at our event and created a narration of the AHS tour and will be sharing the footage. Next, the subcommittee will be focusing on communication of the auditorium being completed. Amy want to host a larger event with tours before April vacation and inviting MSBA and other stakeholders. Amy asked to send any suggestions her way. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on March 14.

◆ Finance, no report

◆ Interiors, Liz Homan would like the subcommittee to consider mock up for a plaque on page 127 of the materials packet that HMFH designed in honoring Dr. Bodie. The plaque will be placed inside the Discourse Lab of the new high school. The AHS Building Committee Interiors Committee would review the materials of the plaque so future details would be the same going forward. The mock up will be discussed and reviewed again in a subcommittee meeting and sent to the School Committee for review. Jeff informed the AHS Building committee that the School Committee already voted to dedicate the Discourse Lab to Dr. Bodie since the vote is the School Committee's jurisdiction. You can send any suggestions to Lori Cowles or Liz Homan. Liz is drafting protocols on assigning names on plaques and bricks, she will connect with School Committee and the chair of the Policies and Procedures Subcommittee regarding the policy on naming and dedication on seats, bricks and plaques in the building.

◆ Landscape & Exteriors, no report, Liz Homan appreciates the flexibility on the community on access to enter the building. Some people were thrown for a loop and Bill said the drop off is going well and many are using front door.

◆ Memorials, Bill said he went through Collumb House on memorials and the River of Hands mural is packed up safely, as well as the Hall of Fame plaques. Bill found an old trowel, which is used to lay bricks. Next step, athletic trophies will be reviewed and prepare for phase 2. He is working with landscaper, Dr. Janger and Dr. Homan on stones.

◆ SMEFPF, Ryan would like to hold a tour around the Echo Fest date, if possible. Ryan, announced the new Town of Arlington Manager of Sustainability, Talia Fox.

◆ Security, and Temp Use-Phasing, Liz, waiting for a few parts to come in to enable some locks out front. Bill spoke on software and staffing the front and back of building. Liz said they also discussed security cameras and need to relocate some cameras and monitor parking lot, and sites between buildings during phase 2.

### Meeting Minute Approval

◆February 1, 2022

On a **motion** by Kate Loosian, seconded by Frank Callahan, it was voted to approve the AHS Building Committee minutes of February 1, 2022.

Roll Call: Liz Homan, Yes, Adam Chapdelaine Yes, Kirsi Allison-Ampe Yes, Frank Callahan Yes, John Cole, Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Kate Loosian Yes, Bill McCarthy Yes, Judson Peirce Yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Amy Speare Yes, and Jeff Thielman Yes.

### New Business

John Cole asked the committee to support a notion to forward Brian Rehrig's name for a dedication on a piece of the Performing Arts wing, such as the Chorus Room to the School Committee.

Judson Peirce fully supports the recommendation and said this is most appropriate and unbelievable recognition for Brian would make his family proud. Adam Chapdelaine and Jeff Thielman agree with the recommendation.

Adam C and Jeff agrees.

On a **motion** by John Cole, seconded by Judson Peirce, it was recommended for Brian Rehrig's name to be considered by the School Committee for dedication plaque in the Chorus Room or other section of the Performing Arts Wing.

Roll Call: Liz Homan, Yes, Adam Chapdelaine Yes, Kirsi Allison-Ampe Yes, Frank Callahan Yes, John Cole, Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Kate Loosian Yes, Bill McCarthy Yes, Judson Peirce Yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Amy Speare Yes, and Jeff Thielman Yes.

Bill McCarthy asked if the committee should wait on the motion only because the policy was pending and under review. Jeff Thielman pointed out the motion is a recommendation from the AHS Building Committee, the School Committee can consider the motion and take a vote and adopt it or not. Therefore the motion was voted and passed.

#### New Business

Jeff Thielman asked if the committee might consider meeting in person for our April meeting. Liz Homan was considering to meet in person to facilitate a tour of the new wing. Adam Chapdelaine said the legal allowance is we can still meet via Zoom through July and the legal allowance may be extended. Kent Worst suggested to keep it all remote or all in person. Kirsi Allison-Ampe would be happy to do what the group wants. Kate Loosian said it is convenient option on remote, and do hybrid, and noted the committee may need additional time to prepare to set it up. It was suggested to discuss it at our next meeting.

#### Future agenda item

In Person meeting to be discussed at the next meeting, April 5, 2022.

#### Adjournment

On a **motion** by Adam Chapdelaine, seconded by Ryan Katofsky to adjourn at 6:57 p.m.

Roll Call: Liz Homan, Yes, Adam Chapdelaine Yes, Kirsi Allison-Ampe Yes, Frank Callahan Yes, John Cole, Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Kate Loosian Yes, Bill McCarthy Yes, Judson Peirce Yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Amy Speare Yes, and Jeff Thielman Yes.

*Respectfully submitted by*

*Karen Fitzgerald*

*Executive Assistant and AHSBC Recording Secretary*