

Arlington High School Building Committee

Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
Location: Conducted via Remote Participation

Committee members: Jeff Thielman, School Committee Representative, Chair, absent
Elizabeth Homan, Superintendent, Co-vice chair
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Co-vice chair
Kirsi Allison-Ampe, School Committee Representative, absent
Francis Callahan, Community Member Representative, absent
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
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative, absent
Michael Mason, APS Chief Financial Officer
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal, absent
Judson Pierce, Community Member, absent
Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager
Paul Raia, Disabilities Commission Representative
Jim Feeney, in for Facilities Dir, Town of Arlington absent
Amy Speare, Community Member Representative
Shannon Knuth, Teacher Representative
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative

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

Skanska Update

Jim Burrows provided a few updates and said that things are going well. Next, Eversource needs to degenderize and they will meet with Skanska tomorrow, as scheduled. Skanska will continue to update the committee when everything is complete.

Consigli Update

John LaMarre provided the Executive Overview and Victoria shared the screen.

- Auditorium anticipated completion date is 4/14/22. Supply chain audio and millwork will be installed in summer of 2022. Millwork & seating substantially completed. AV public address being installed, final cleaning and Town inspections scheduled.

- Supply chain material & transportation continue and work around continue to being implemented without compromising the design. Current materials; production lab sound equipment due late May. Acoustic wood doors, appliances, Temp. kitchen hood & lighting controls available. Install April vacation.
- Phase 1; punch list (240 items), site work sidewalks, hardscaping underway. Irrigations and landscaping to follow.
- Phase 2: Abatement/demo began on schedule in early March, and will continue through May. Eversource disconnect of existing service, originally scheduled for 3/14/22, pushed to 4/6/22 resulting in impact schedule.
- PH-2 materials. Inventory of materials in storage and all materials that can be released into production continues so as to reduce the potential for supply chain impacts.

John showed the photos of the new AHS front entrance, AHS granite sign, and walkways of front entrance. He said the Fire Department can get in and out safely. The auditorium stage is on track with final painting and cleaning of the auditorium. Fusco severed from Collumb house photo was shown and the link. This gives everyone some insight on what is happening.

Liz Homan said the biggest challenge has been heat and dust during the demolishing. We have closed up windows and some found it uncomfortable. The team has been responsive on sound concerns and the team has been quick to resolve and jump in, the lines of communication have been good. John said air quality is being monitored and tested and keeping everyone at ease.

Subcommittee Reports

◆ Communications , Amy Speare thanked the Consigli team for keeping everything running smoothly. The subcommittee met yesterday and discussed tour dates and Phase 1. The tour will be treated as an open house and is scheduled on Saturday, April 30

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Only certain rooms will be open and will have people stationed around certain classrooms to answer questions. It was proposed that the full committee members and students from bridge builders and honor society help out.

The committee is recommending to forgo any official ceremony to showcase the auditorium. A notice will be sent out the staff, families and community inviting everyone to the AHS Tours on April 30th.

◆ Finance, Adam Chapdelaine, no report

◆ Interiors, Liz Homan said the committee met this week and discussed bathroom fixtures, they are looking for feedback on adjusting bathroom signage. The committee looked at a few material options for future plaques to be displayed in the new high school, especially for the dedication to Dr. Kathleen Bodie for the Discourse Lab but they will hold off on planning the dedication until the policy is passed by the School Committee.

◆ Landscape & Exteriors, Liz Homan, no update

◆ Memorials, Liz Homan, no report but working on policy on space naming.

◆ SMEPPF, Ryan Katofsky is working with Talia Fox, Town Sustainability Manager on the tours to help answer questions. John LaMarre and Jim Burrows said they could include some of the sustainability materials in a handout given at the tour.

◆ Security, Liz Homan, no updates

◆ Temp Use-Phasing, Liz Homan, no updates

Meeting Minute Approval

◆March 1, 2022

On a **motion** by Sandy Pooler, seconded by Amy Speare, it was voted to approve the March 1, 2022 minutes.

Roll Call: Adam Chapdelaine, Yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Michael Mason Yes, Amy Speare Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Brett Lambert Yes, and Liz Homan Yes.

New Business

◆ Discuss returning to in-person meetings. The committee decided to hold off on the discussion and will bring it forward at the next meeting in May.

John Cole asked John LaMarre if anyone chained themselves to the columns before they were taken down. Kent Werst said the columns were not in good shape. The historical documentation is happening and pictures of the building are being posted by staff. Paul Rai asked how students with sensory issues are dealing with the noise. Both Shannon and Kent said that they don't hear anything unless they are opening up their windows. Liz Homan answered that if noise becomes an issue she works with Jim Burrows and construction is stopped. The team has been quick to change tasks.

Adjournment

On a **motion** by Michael Mason, Seconded, by Sandy Pooler, it was voted to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Adam Chapdelaine Yes, John Cole Yes, Tobey Jackson Yes, Michael Mason yes, Sandy Pooler Yes, Amy Speare Yes, Ryan Katofsky Yes, Bret Lambert Yes, and Liz Homan Yes.

Respectfully submitted by

Karen Fitzgerald

Executive Assistant and AHSBC Recording Secretary