

Arlington High School Building Committee

Communications Subcommittee Meeting

Friday, May 4, 2018

Superintendent's Office

8:30 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Present: Kathleen Bodie, Amy Speare (Chair), Kirsi Allison-Ampe, Julie Dunn, Tobey Jackson (by phone), Jim Burrows (Skanska), Victoria Clifford (Skanska)

School Committee Meeting May 24th

- Main topics will be to discuss process and where we are in the design process
- Kathy would like to add times to the agenda so that digital audience can tune in at their leisure
- Skanska can walk through the following
 - o Here we are
 - o The decision matrix
- HMFH can give an overview of the design concepts and present more on four options
- Milestone and Timeline write up given at Town Meeting will be presented
- We are not ready to include construction estimates
- Communications Committee would like to provide a sticker price comparison of other recently constructed schools in MA to the community and the building committee. Skanska to work on a list. We want to know enrollment, budget, square footage, new versus renovated, construction cost by square foot.
 - o Some examples are:
 - Belmont
 - Somerville
 - Billerica
 - Waltham
- Hot Topics for School Committee: the educational plan during construction and minimizing disruption to students
 - o Jim can touch on the steps we will take to ensure safety and minimize disruption

June 4 Community Forum Planning and Announcement

- Goals:
 - o Share Vision & Guiding Principles
 - o Community understands process and details on 4 options and has chance to voice opinion
 - o Ensure community that
 - many qualified people are involved with decisions
 - process is transparent

- Feedback sought from the community:
 - o keep Fusco or Collomb? Do they want to keep it if it is at a premium?
 - o Building on the green
 - o opinion & preferences on 4 options
- Committee to check with Lori if there will be interior visuals
- There will be a flyer, an email announcement, and a text announcement
- Amy and Kirsi will refine announcement, goal is to send out week of 5/7

Communications Calendar Review

- AMCI is putting together an AHS classroom tour video. Amy and Tobey are reviewing the video later today.
- Blog topics on deck:
 - o Educational Plan summary written by Amy Speare
 - o Space Summary written by Kate Loosian
 - o Guiding Principles written by Amy Speare
 - o MSBA Process A to Z
 - o Dan Ruiz volunteered to write a post on MSBA reimbursables

New Business

- Soil Contamination is a huge cost driver to the project and a hot button for the community
- Would like to discuss the community survey at the next meeting. Need Joan to be present at next meeting.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 14th at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 29th at 2:30 a.m.

Kirsi Moved to approve the 3/28 /18 meeting minutes, Kathy Bodie Seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 a.m.