

OSBORN HILL SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes - Final

April 20, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Osborn Hill School - Library

760 Stillson Road

Fairfield, CT 06824

Members Present: Kim Marshall (Chair), Susie Cardona, Bret Bader, Bill Dunn

Members absent: Steve White

Others Present: Sal Morabito, Gerald Foley, Judy Ewing, Jessica Gerber (BOE-Liaison)

Call to Order:

Ms. Marshall called the meeting to order at 6:33p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the February 16, 2017 minutes by Mr. Dunn, Ms. Cardona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4:0

A motion was made to approve the April 6, 2017 minutes by Mr. Dunn, Ms. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4:0

Approval of Invoices

None

Update from PD

Mr. Foley informed the Building Committee that the construction firm, which had the lowest bid for the brick and glass solution verbally agreed to hold its bid for an additional 60 days for construction this year, however, construction next summer would require reevaluation. He was unable to get a response from the lowest bidder for the translucent wall panel solution.

Update from the Building Committee Chair / Old Business

The Building Committee continued the discussion from its previous meeting to decide on the most appropriate course of action to take for enclosing the walkway between the main school building and the outside annex. Ms. Marshall recapped the Building Committee's recent meetings and her meetings with the Board of Selectman (BoS), Board of Finance (BoF) and First Selectman. Mr. Bader summarized the consensus that it was time to move forward. If money was (had been) available for construct of the enclosed walkway as the Building Committee had previously proposed construction would be (have been) completed; however, since funding did not (has not) been provided construction as proposed could not (cannot) be accomplished.

During the discussion, additional information was contributed by Mr. Morabito, Mr. Foley, Ms. Ewing and Ms. Gerber. Ms. Ewing reminded the Building Committee that it was obligated to follow the Building Committee's Charge and the Education Specifications and not the Board of Education's Long-term Plan or the project's Bond Resolution. She again reminded the Building Committee that the Conceptual Study proposed was for \$70,000. Ms. Gerber did not see the value of the Board of Education revisiting the Education Specifications as it would only continue to lengthen the process, and she was doubtful that the project would receive the additional funding necessary given the current environment. The conversation proceeded with a discussion of alternative solutions for "enclosing" the walkway. As the conversation, proceeded:

Mr. Dunn requested that Ms. Marshall make a motion that the Building Committee move into private executive session to discuss school security at 7:30pm.

Ms. Marshall made the motion, which was then seconded by Mr. Dunn. The motion passed unanimously, 4:0

Mr. Dunn made a motion that the Building Committee move back into public session at 7:48pm. Mr. Bader seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4:0

The regular meeting was resumed, and the discussion of alternative solutions concluded as

Ms. Marshall made a motion to have the Town's Purchasing Department work with Mr. Morabito on a request for proposal for a safety and security option (fence) that would be installed this summer. Mr. Bader seconded the motion. The motion passed, 3:1

It was agreed that Ms. Marshall would contact the Chairs of the BoE, BoS, BoF and the Moderator of the RTM and communicate the Building Committees' intention to evaluate and implemented an action plan at its next meeting (currently anticipated for May 18th).

New Business

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Mr. Dunn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55p.m.

Ms. Cardona seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously, 4:0

Respectfully Submitted,
OHS Building Committee