

Gorham Randolph Shelburne Cooperative School District Building Committee
Tuesday, July 18, 2006
FRC-Community Room

Present: Nancy Burleson, John Carpenter, Conrad Deutsch, Katie Kelley, Reed Leberman, and Ben Mayerson

Staff Present: Karen Cloutier, Pauline Plourde, Keith Parent, and Paul Bousquet

Call to Order: By Ben Mayerson at 6:30 PM

Minutes: The minutes of the July 11, 2006 meeting were approved. **Moved by Reed and seconded by Nancy. Motion passed, all in favor.**

RFQ Responses: Every member present has read the proposals. Ben had previously spoken with Jean Tremblay, Bob Demers, and Craig Burcalow who were unable to come to this meeting; about the process we were going to follow to determine who to interview. **John moved that we go into non-public per 91-A:3II c; Kathleen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Reed, yea; Conrad, yea; Kathleen, yea; Nancy, yea; John, yea; Ben, yea. Motion Passed at 6:40 p.m.**

John Carpenter moved that we interview Banwell and Turner on one night preferably Monday, July 24, 2006. Motion was seconded by Nancy. All were in favor.

Reed Leberman moved to interview CMK and HKT, motion seconded by Katie. Three were in favor, three opposed. Motion died on the floor.

Ben proposed to convene the meeting 5:30 p.m. Some members expressed a wish for light refreshments to be offered. The SAU office will make the food and beverage arrangements. The first 30 minutes will be for general Committee business. Beginning at 6pm the Committee will conduct (2) separate 90 minute interviews with Banwell and Turner respectively.

The format of the interviews is as follows:

Beginning at 6pm Banwell will be given a total of 30 minutes total for their opening and closing statements. They will make their own determination as to how they would allocate that 30 minutes. The remaining 60 minutes would be for questions from Committee members. Turner's interview will begin at 7:30pm, with the same format. We will strongly encourage them to bring all their key people, excluding acoustical team (since this team is the same in both proposals). Pauline will be the timekeeper during the meeting.

Ben asked members to send any suggested questions to Pauline and him, and they will compile them. The SAU office will send some of these questions ahead of time to the architects to consider. The firms will be informed that the Committee has yet to make a formal recommendation as to whether the existing GMHS will be renovated, with additional construction or if a totally new GMHS will be built on site. The Cooperative Board will be invited to the interviews.

Kathleen noted that the Banwell and the Barker 2001 proposed space requirements for both the Ed Fenn and the GMHS were very close.

Kathleen reminded the Committee that at previous meetings we discussed why projects go wrong.

Kathleen also noted that the bond request of the State would also trigger a required report outlining the impact on maintenance of the buildings. Several members assured her that this is one of the tasks the Architect performs. She again expressed her concern to have a goal of containing our maintenance costs. As before, all others members agreed.

Reed and Kathleen are working on a list which will compile goals and visions of the project, based on the Committee's discussions, past and ongoing.

John is working on a chart of possible concept drawings, for the Committee to review in the coming weeks.

Kathleen wanted confirmation of what the limits are that the state will impose in terms of square footage per student. She expressed her concern that the State may not fully fund the project, based on the spatial suggestions included in the Banwell report. Pauline said in response, that the numbers are far from definitive, and the State has a number of items to include in the computation of qualifying aid. She said it was still too early to make that call, and we can rely on the architect and DOE to guide us through that process. Ben also echoed that, stating that both firms under consideration have done extensive NH school work, requiring an understanding and relationship with DOE pertaining directly to funding issues.

Ben said that Pauline has been recently in touch with Ed Murdough, and he is prepared to meet with the Committee as soon as August 1, 2006 to discuss this issue. Ben said that perhaps we would consider a delay of one week further, as the Committee may choose to take a week off, as we have been meeting every week.

Reed suggested that we could split the Ed Fenn architecture project from the GMHS project since it is not as complicated. Then we could move forward with at least that one project. Some members expressed concern that it would potentially slow the process. Ben said we could discuss this with the architects.

Paul said he was working on the grade confirmation issue. He will give us more information soon.

Next meeting will be on Monday, July 24 convening at 5:30, at the GMHS Library.

John Carpenter moved that we adjourn the meeting. Conrad seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Meeting called to order by Ben Mayerson at 6:40 p.m. Karen Cloutier, Pauline Plourde, Keith Parent, and Paul Bousquet were invited to participate.

We discussed the RFQ Proposals individually.

John moved that we end the non-public session at 8:10 p.m., Reed seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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