

Gorham Randolph Shelburne Cooperative School District Building Committee
August 31, 2006
GMHS Library

Present:

Building Committee Craig Burcalow, John Carpenter, Ben Mayerson, Bob Demers, Reed Leberman, Jean Tremblay, Kathleen Kelley, Nancy Burlison

Administration: David Goyette, Karen Cloutier, Keith Parent, Paul Bousquet

School Board: Jo Carpenter, Donna Goodrich, Greg Corrigan

I. Call to Order: By Ben Mayerson 6:30 PM

II. Minutes:

The minutes of August 8 were approved on motion by Jean, seconded by Reed. No Discussion. All in favor, with Craig abstaining.

The minutes of August 17 were approved on a motion by John, seconded by Jean. No Discussion All in favor, with Craig abstaining.

Ben stated that in his opinion, only one additional classroom would be needed for the Fenn to institute an all day Kindergarten, contrary to what was reported in the minutes of 8/17/06.

III. Construction Manager:

- A. Paul Bousquet passed out copies of the proposals from the four companies that responded to our RFP: Couture Construction Corp., Daniel Hebert Inc, Lee Kennedy Co, and MacMillin.
- B. Ben then gave a brief synopsis of the proposals the Committee and those present then held a general discussion on the path forward discussing a number of items that could impact the project including the need to utilize as much local help as possible.
- C. It was pointed out that the contractors not chosen as Construction Managers can still bid on construction work.
- D. John suggested that Pauline have all contractors resubmit financials based on a 15 million-dollar project so that we can evaluate on similar scope. The Committee agreed. *(task)-Ben will relay the Committee's request that the firms submit quotes based on a \$15M budget.*
- E. The Committee agreed to finalize the interview process at its next meeting September 6th and to tentatively schedule interviews for September 13th and 14th.
- F. Questions to be asked at the interview should be developed for the September 6th meeting.
- G. We need to make a recommendation prior to the School Board's September 19th meeting.

IV. Banwell Update:

- A. Questions arose around the need to refine the educational needs assessment – after a general discussion Paul Bousquet said that he would take the lead on this. Katie indicated that there might be grants available to fund this item.
- B. No dates have been set for tours yet
- C. David’s contract is not yet finalized but there are no substantial issues

V. Vision Statement:

Several draft statements submitted were reviewed, with elements from several receiving support. *(task)-Greg Corrigan will work with Committee to bring a statement to the Committee on September 6th.*

VI. Other:

- A. Bob suggested that we need to look at doing something with the brook in front of the Ed Fenn
- B. Paul indicated that he had researched the percentage of Gorham taxes paid by Fraser Papers and said that it is currently 13%.
- C. Katie has an article on the ebb and flow of enrollment in school districts and has prepared a spreadsheet on state funding of projects. *(task)-Katie will forward the spreadsheet to Ben and Pauline for distribution.*
- D. Paul discussed the back loading of bond issues.
- E. There was no one present other than listed above

Adjournment: Motion by Craig to adjourn, seconded by Jean 8:15 PM

Next Meeting: 6:30 PM – Wednesday, September 6th at the GMHS Library