

GRS Cooperative
Building Committee and School Board Meeting
Minutes

Thursday, November 2, 2006
GMHS Library

Present: Ben Mayerson, Craig Burcalow, Nancy Burleson, John Carpenter, Bob Demers, Conrad Deutsch, Katie Kelley, Reed Leberman, and Jean Tremblay

Staff Present: Paul Bousquet, David Goyette, Keith Parent, and Pauline Plourde

Other: Blair Banker (LKC), Angela Brown (Board), Jo Carpenter (Board), Donna Goodrich (Board), Diane Gorham (Public), David Laurin (Banwell), and Paul Partenope (Board)

I. Call to Order:

By Ben Mayerson 6:30pm

II. Approval of minutes from 10/19/06:

->A motion to accept made by Nancy, seconded by Reed. No discussion **All in favor, with Craig abstaining**

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. Communications:

a. Superintendent

Paul reported that he had received a call from an individual who said they had asked Dan Hebert to re-price the 2003 proposal.

Blair indicated that from a construction point the cost of building a school will be similar for all contractors as they use the same pool of sub-contractors. Blair feels that any difference in cost will be in the material specifications and finish of the building.

The Committee is concerned that this could confuse the process and lead to an unfavorable vote in March. This leads to the question of what happens then? Will we be in the same situation as Profile where the State has stepped in and mandated actions to address the schools conditions or threaten closure?

The Committee felt that we need to address the issue now not later when we are near a vote.

b. Reed

Reed presented a general concept for the Ed Fenn that expanded the existing gymnasium and relocated the cafeteria so that there would be no construction in the area of the brook.

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V. Review of forums:

David felt that they went well especially the second one at the High School, where we started to get some feedback on what people were willing to support.

Katie passed out a partial list of attendees and questions that were brought up at the meetings.

The Committee reviewed a series of questions that had been submitted to Angela about the project, and it was generally thought that we should respond to them as it presented a chance to address several key issues facing us.

a. Public outreach

(task)- Katie will compile a draft list of FAQs

VI. Banwell/Kennedy update:

a. General

The Ed Fenn

David presented renovation option #6 which remodeled the gym putting seating where the kitchen currently is, and then built a new kitchen/cafeteria in the area we had been looking to place the new gym. The advantage being that we do not have to build in the area of the brook, the size of the new building is smaller and it would remove an issue with mismatched roof heights. The Committee agreed to present this option to the public on the 9th.

(task) - Paul will review this option with the faculty prior to the public forums on the 9th

(task)-Blair will forward revised pricing early next week, for EFS option #6.

(task)- David will forward pdf files of the latest options to the SAU office for distribution to the Committee and Administration.

The Middle-High School

David has started the process of assigning spaces and working to ensure that the items in the educational specification are addressed and that he has not added unnecessary space.

David had a draft 3-D rendition of the MHS, but it needs more refinement and is not ready for public presentation.

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b. Fields

David indicated that HEB will be meeting with the administration and taking a look at the athletic fields in the near future. We discussed that if the funds for the fields are included in the bond there must be an agreement for their use for the term of the bond.

(task)-HEB will be evaluating the fields to formulate a process and estimate.

c. Other

We decided to use the cafeteria for the next forum so that we could better display the drawings.

(task) - David will look for a larger screen for the next forum and will have hand out of the items being discussed.

VII. Informational spreadsheet update:

(task)-Banwell, LKC, and Administration will review the spreadsheet and report their comments to the Committee at the 11/14 meeting.

VIII. Other:

None

IX. Next meetings:

- a. November 9, 7pm **forum** @ GMHS Music Room
- b. November 14 (Tuesday!), 6:30pm @ GMHS Library
- c. November 21, 6:30pm @ GMHS Library - Board meeting BC recommendations
- d. **->NO BC MEETING - WEEK OF 11/20<-**
- e. November 30, 6:30pm @ GMHS Library

X. Adjournment: 8:30pm

->Motion made by Bob, seconded by Reed

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