

GRS Cooperative  
Building Committee and School Board Meeting  
**Minutes**

Thursday, February 1, 2007  
GMHS Music Room

**Present:** Ben Mayerson, Craig Burcalow, Nancy Burleson, John Carpenter, Bob Demers, Conrad Deutsch, Katie Kelley (@ ~ 6:45), Reed Leberman, and Jean Tremblay

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

**Other:** Blair Banker (LKC), Jen Bennett (press) (@ ~ 6:45), Louis Boucher (Gorham Budget Committee) (@ ~ 6:50), Jo Carpenter (Board), Donna Goodrich (Board) (@ ~ 6:45), David Graham (GBC) (@ ~ 6:50), David Laurin (Banwell), Bud Leavitt (GBC) (@ ~ 6:50), Bob O'Leary (LKC), Terry Oliver (GBC) (@ ~ 6:50), Paul Partenope (Board), Gail Scott (press), and Walt Winturri (GBC) (@ ~ 6:50)

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting of the GRS Cooperative Building Committee and School Board was called to order at 6:30pm.

**II. Approval of minutes from 1/25/07**

->After review of the minutes from the January 25, 2007, a motion to accept them was made by Conrad, seconded by Bob. No discussion. **All in favor**

**III. Banwell/Kennedy update**

**a. Informational boards for communities**

**i. Number/size/locations/distribution**

David delivered a number of informational boards and unmounted pieces. Additional copies will be created as needed. A large set will go in each school. A medium set will be offered to each Town Hall (3). Additional copies will go to the Town libraries, transfer station in Shelburne, etc.

It was suggested that 200 copies of the 11x17 informational printouts be created and laminated as placemats for the dinner.

*(task) - David will research and report back the cost of that item.*

**b. Other**

David reports that site plans are progressing. Blair says LKC is working through the budget and scope. He said he's confident the project is still at or below \$24.6M.

**IV. Presentation to Gorham Budget Committee**

The PowerPoint presentation was shown. There were questions pertaining to taxation, Gorham's CRF, abutters' issues, consolidation with Berlin, and the Conway project.

**V. Public outreach**

**a. Calendar**

The dinner has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 15 from 4pm to 7pm. (See V.e.)  
The correct date for the Shelburne Neighbor's club is the 14<sup>th</sup> of February.

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**b. Community organizations**

Ben reiterated that we should meet with the local firefighters and the DPW.

David and LKC should be present at the DPW meeting.

*(task)- Pauline or Paul will coordinate the meeting with the DPW.*

**c. Mailers/Press Releases**

The postcards have been mailed. The "Why Now?" mailer is going out in a couple of days.

**d. DVD**

Production will begin on Friday 2/2, with interior shots of the problem areas in both schools. On Sunday, 2/4, Jo, Jean, and Craig will do their on camera work. Sarah Tremblay will also be there to assist on Sunday. Tanya will edit the pieces and work with Ben to write the voiceover scripting. The voiceover audio will be recorded next week. The final edit must go to duplication no later than 2/15, to make the March 1, release date.

**i. How many?**

It was determined that 750 DVDs will be created, and offered at the three Town Meetings in March; as well as at the schools, and possibly some local stores and gas stations.

A press release to announce the DVD was suggested.

*(task) - Paul will contact Warner Cable to see if they will air DVD on local cable access.*

**e. Community dinner/tour**

Craig, Bob, Paul P., and Keith have met to map out plans for the dinner. The date of the dinner has been moved. *(See V.a.)* A handout was distributed with the highlights of the event. *It will be attached to the accepted minutes.*

**f. Other**

A flyer was created for the Town forums to be held next week.

*(task) - Conrad will distribute them.*

*(task) - Ben will email the flyer to Keith and Karen, so that they can post them in various locations in their schools.*

*(task) - Craig will oversee the transportation and setup of refreshments, for the forums.*

**VI. Other**

None

**VII. Next meetings/Events**

**a.** February 3, 10:00am @ EFS *(CARE event)*

**b.** February 5, 6:30 @ FRC - *meet with Gorham Selectmen*

**c.** February 7, 7:00 pm @ Randolph TH - *Town Forum*

**d.** February 8, 7:00 pm @ Shelburne TH - *Town Forum (brief meeting to follow)*

**e.** February 10, 9:30 am @ GMHS - *Town Forum*

**f.** February 14, 1:00 pm @ Shelburne TH - *Shelburne Neighbor's Club ->change <-*

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**VIII. Adjournment**

->A Motion was made by Craig to adjourn at 8:35 pm, seconded by Nancy.

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**Spaghetti Dinner Notes**

**Date:** Thursday, March 15, 2007

**Times:** Four Servings – maximum of 100 people per serving ~  
4:00 – 5:00 pm  
5:00 – 6:00 pm  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
7:00 – 8:00 pm

**Menu:** Spaghetti, Sauce/Meat Sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Milk, Coffee, Tea

**Cost:** Free, compliments of Café Services, Inc., for the first 200 served; each serving after will be roughly \$3 per serving

- plates, plastic ware, napkins provided by Café Services

**Entertainment:** DVD on the building initiative, building tours, question – answer sessions with Building Committee / School Board members

**Needs:**

- Volunteers ~ CARE / Gorham Booster Club, Honor Society, Student Council – servers, tour guides
- Provide transportation (call for ride & serving time)
- Dessert – Shaw’s sheet cake?
- Thank you – Café Services
- Name tags, bibs, hats – some way to identify those there to inform or assist
- Set up to show DVD in Home Ec & Cafeteria
- Dave Laurin – placemats designed, 3 sets of school drawings (info boards), handouts
- Need to publicize event (at end of town meetings?)
- Microphone / sound system in the Cafeteria
- Extra custodian