

Hopkinton Elementary School Building Committee
December 7, 2009
7:00pm

School Administration Conference Room

In attendance: Diana Beck, Tom Gaston, Jim Hervol, Joe Karner, Norman Khumalo, Jennifer Parson, Jack Phelan, Rebecca Robak, Tom Towle, Andrew Waiglum

Also in attendance: Troy Mick

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm
2. The results of the Designer Selection Panel (DSP) meeting of 12/1 were discussed. The three finalists were Design Partnership of Cambridge, Kaestle Boos, and Mount Vernon Group. Although Design Partnership was awarded significantly more votes than the other two finalists, Dr. Phelan informed the DSP that the HESBC was in favor of the DSP holding interviews with the three finalists. The DSP agreed to this and scheduled the interviews for 12/15.
3. A discussion about the waste water treatment facility at Fruit street, and the potential for the new school to hook into it was discussed.
4. A review of possible questions to ask during the DSP interviews was held. Several new questions were added to the list provided by the DSP.
5. Jim Hervol alerted the committee that he must step down from his position on the DSP due to a conflict of interest issue. Tom Towle volunteered to replace Jim. The committee was in favor of this.
6. Todd Cestari arrived at the meeting at 8:00 pm.
7. An update on the negotiations with the OPM was given. After the DSP meeting on December 1, Dr. Phelan and Rebecca Robak met with several members from the MSBA including Paul Fowkes, to discuss the OPM issue. The MSBA is reviewing the situation and will decide if they will allow the current OPM to continue on the project as a school employee. Rebecca Robak will call Paul Fowkes at the MSBA to get an update on this decision and to inform them of the replacement member on the DSP.
8. The committee decided that once a designer was selected by the DSP, it would be beneficial to have a few members of the HESBC serve as a negotiation team with the designer. The committee agreed that team should be Andrew Waiglum, Jack Phelan and Rebecca Robak. Legal counsel and the OPM would also be consulted.
9. On a motion made by Joe Karner, seconded by Jennifer Parson, the committee unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:20 pm.