

**Town of Stonington
K-12 Building Committee
Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 6, 2014
7:00 pm
Central Office, Old Mystic, CT
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Members Present: Rob Marseglia, Chairman, Bill Sternberg, Deborah Downie, Julie Holland, Secretary, Kathy Sanford, and Rob Sundman

Absent: June Strunk

Late Arrival: George Crouse 8:04pm

Recording Secretary: Sandy Tissiere

Guests and Citizens: Jim Barrett, DRA, and Mike Fauerbach

1. Call to Order

Rob Marseglia, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

Mr. Marseglia welcomed Jim Barrett, DRA, to the meeting. He introduced and welcomed Mike Faurbach; a potential committee member.

2. Approval of Outstanding Minutes

The following motion was made by Julie Holland and seconded by Bill Sternberg:

Motion: To approve the outstanding minutes from October 16 and October 23, 2014.

All: Aye

3. Review of 2015 Regular Meeting Schedule

The 2015 K-12 Building Committee Regular Meeting Schedule was distributed for discussion. Mr. Marseglia reiterated to the committee that the town clerk's office required the yearly meeting schedules to be submitted by the end of November. It was decided to keep the meetings scheduled on Tuesday night but add an additional per month to accommodate the progression of the modernization project. The new schedule will be available at the November 18th meeting for discussion and approval. The location of the meeting was discussed with the thought of alternating locations between the Central Office and the high school.

4. Overview of Property Located at 126 South Broad Street

The sub-committee report on the three locations for a possible joint middle school discussed at the October 23rd special sub-committee meeting has been shared with DRA. Mr. Barrett led his presentation with the question of "How much space is needed for a middle school?" as this option is a consideration. For a typical middle school, the plan should be 15 to 20 acres for the building plus 1 acre per 100 students resulting in 21-26 acres would be recommended. He then gave an overhead presentation of the three possible locations with a sample middle school building and how it would fit on the property. The committee and Mr. Barrett discussed the viability of each parcel. There are questions in the community regarding a deed restriction associated with the Stonington High School property. Mr. Marseglia will contact Mr. Habarek, First Selectman, to ask for his assistance on contacting the town attorney to inquire about it.

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5. Kick-off Discussion w/DRA Architect

The Stonington High School Commons has been reserved for November 18, 2014 for the first public workshop. Mr. Barrett explained that all options of the Elementary Modernization Study would be presented. The group discussed the agenda and how the area would be set up. Next, the flyer was discussed and the best way to distribute the flyer to invite the community. A subcommittee will meet on Monday, November 10 at 6:00pm in the Central Office to firm up the flyer for distribution.

6. Adjournment

The following motion was made by Rob Sundman and seconded by Julie Holland:

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm

All: Aye



Julie Holland, Secretary