

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT – Agawam, MA

**SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE (SBC) MEETING #9**

July 19, 2023

Virtual Zoom meeting

3:00PM

Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2023

A scheduled meeting of the Agawam High School Building Committee was held virtually on July 19, 2023 at 3:00pm via Zoom. Committee members and attendees present were:

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Notes</u>
William Sapelli-Chair	X		
Jim Blain	X		Arrived at 3:03pm
Jennifer Bonfiglio	X		
Raymond Casella	X		Arrived at 3:09pm
Robert Clickstein	X		
Louis Conte		X	
Dawn DeMatteo	X		
Sheila Hoffman	X		
Timothy Karetka	X		
Brian Melloni		X	
Brian Pagella		X	
Anthony Suffriti	X		
Robin Wozniak		X	
Christopher Caputo	X		
<b><u>Project Team Members</u></b>			
Linda Liporto	X		Leftfield - Senior Project Manager
James Riefstahl	X		Leftfield - Project Director
Jim Rogers		X	Leftfield - Owner
Adele Sands		X	Leftfield - Education Liaison
Jay Faxon		X	LeftField MEP
Kent Kovacs		X	Flansburgh - Principal-in-Charge
Vince Dubé		X	Flansburgh - Project Manager
Madeleine Le		X	Flansburgh - Project Architect
Roberta Nardi		X	Flansburgh - Project Designer
Jessica Libby	X		Flansburgh – Project Architect
Mike Pirolo		X	MLP Integrated Design

*7 voting members required for a quorum*

Meeting was called to order by Chair-Mayor Sapelli at 3:00pm.

## **1 – Agenda**

Linda Liporto went through the agenda for the meeting.

## **2 – Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Jennifer Bonfiglio made a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2023. Anthony Suffriti seconded the motion. No discussion occurred. It was unanimously approved via roll call vote.

## **3 – PDP Submission Update**

Linda Liporto went through the qualitative summary of the 8 options that have been reviewed and submitted by the SBC committee via email. The basis of the report is that the code upgrade did not receive much support, and that Option 1C for New Construction is the clear winner so far.

Jessica Libby went through the options summaries and noted pro's and con's for each option. Considerations included schedule duration, alignment with MSBA space standards, building standards, district educational program and displacement of existing program.

Linda Liporto also went through the quantitative summary for the 8 options that summarize cost, district share and percentage of reimbursement. At this point in time these are just for comparison, and not actual project costs. Most notable is that all the options are fairly close in comparison to each other, and also close to the option of just doing a code upgrade of the building.

Ray Casella asked if future options will have more detail of building layouts and floor plans, and Linda Liporto noted that the next steps in the process will have more details and layouts as the plan is to reduce the number of options for the next MSBA submission.

Upcoming meetings will discuss the options further, and there will also be another Community Forum. Dawn DeMatteo asked if the flyers for the next Community Forum could be issued soon for distribution to the community.

## **4 – Public Comment**

Kathy Carra and Raymond Rossini were present. Public comment via chat “I have a question....15:23:26 From Kathy Carra to Everyone: What would the schools use in place of the gym and auditorium when it is "offline"?”

Linda Liporto responded there is no other location for gym and auditorium functions in the Town of Agawam. Some activities would go outside, others would have to be reconfigured from an educational standpoint. Principal Jim Blain commented, “this is something we struggle with on some of the options, and we know would be tough to work with”.

## **5 – New Business**

There was no new business.

## **6 – Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris Caputo, seconded by Anthony Suffriti. The motion was carried unanimously, via voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 3:41pm.