

Windham Magnet School
SDE# 163-0071 MAG/N
Town of Windham
 School Building Committee Meeting
 1-11-2010

ATTENDEES: (X =Attendees Present)

Susan Collins	SC	MSBC	X	Co-Chair
Paula Haney	PH	MSBC	X	Co-Chair
Mark Phelps	MP	MSBC	X	Member
Kathleen Mangiafico	KM	MSBC	X	Member
John Settlage	JS	MSBC	X	Member
Joe Underwood	JU	MSBC	X	Member
Peter Dart	PD	MSBC	X	Member
Nicole Bay	NY	MSBC	X	Member
Doreen Fuller	DF	Windham Public Schools	X	Superintendant of Schools/Member
Ana Ortiz	AO	Windham Public Schools	X	Assist. Superintendant
Rusty Malik	RM	Perkins + Will Architects	X	Architect
Petina Killiany	PK	PinnacleOne/ARCADIS	X	Senior Project Manager
Ray Kinghorn	RK	PinnacleOne/ARCADIS		Senior Project Manager
Norman Benjamin	NB	PinnacleOne/ARCADIS	X	Senior Project Manager

MTG DATE **January 11, 2010- Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm**
LOCATION: **Work Room 2nd Floor – Kramer Building**
PURPOSE: **Regular Magnet School Building Committee Meeting**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>BY</u>
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

1. CITIZENS AND DELEGATES:

None

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of 11/30/09 required corrections regarding attendees. MP made a motion to accept the minutes of 11/30/09 with corrections. KM seconded, all in favor, Motion carried.

The minutes of 12/7/09 also required correction regarding attendees. JU made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, KM seconded. All in favor, Motion carried. PH made a motion to accept the minutes of 12/14/09. MP seconded. Seven in favor, two abstained. Motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Architects Update

RM began by recapping the direction the committee had chosen from the past meeting and stated that the arched concept that had been chosen was 14% over the BSF allowable space standards and the addition of a third floor would push the building to 46% over those same standards. PK noted that any overage in program space would be ineligible for State reimbursement. RM noted that P+W was looking to cut space and would report back at the next meeting.

RM presented the Arched Concept #2 and talked about the pros of southern exposure. PD noted that there is also a down side to southern exposure with regards to technology (Smart-boards) and glare. RM mentioned that this could be addressed with window treatment/tinting. RM continued by noting that in the latest Arched Concept #2 the building had been pushed farther north to increase the buffer with the neighbors and to allow for more outdoor space at the crest of the hill. RM showed a school built in Alaska, using shed style roofs and wood façade and abundant glass for natural lighting. SC noted that she was not taken by the design and noted it looked more like a ski resort. MP talked about using native American Indian structure motif in the design.

A discussion took place regarding space reduction and the proposed courtyard design, including the size, usage and new England weather. KM asked if reducing the size of the courtyard would help in the reduction of the space overage. RM stated that it would help to reduce it but was not the whole solution. He also mentioned the conversations from earlier meetings that centered on the location and use of the courtyard being a distraction to other classrooms with views to it. JS spoke thought that the science classrooms were being placed on the perimeter of the facility and that all visitors need to see science happening and these classrooms might be placed where the current location of the courtyard is shown. PD agreed.

MP stated that he was not sold on the stand alone remote science classroom and most members agreed.

KM commented on the cultural aspect of the school including art and music and how it should be incorporated into the finishes of the facility. KM also asked if the budget is being considered with these concepts. RM stated that the concepts being reviewed are within the budget and that once the CM firm is awarded it is their task to produce estimates along the way to keep us on track.

Although no vote was requested it was concluded that P+W continue on with the Arch #2 design.

B. PM Update

PK reintroduced Representative Johnson and asked for her help with the upcoming school funding bill. Specifically to allow the offsite costs associated with the public water/waste water to be considered eligible for reimbursement. The reason for this request was twofold. First the initial construction costs would be less as opposed to onsite wells and septic, and second, the operational costs going forward would be much less than onsite.

Rep. Johnson said that the school funding bill was going to be presented on February 5th and she would need all the information one week prior to review with the Co-Chair

of the Education Committee. NB stated that she would have all the required documentation including cost estimates and Life-cycle costs.

Mr. Greg Sommer distributed a copy of the completed traffic study and reviewed the high points and final recommendations. The traffic study showed that the only mitigation necessary was for the Town of Windham to work with CTDOT and the STC on reducing the speed as required for school zones.

NB requested that the committee grant him authorization to issue a "Letter of Intent" to Skanska USA Building, Inc.

C. Invoice approvals

ARCADIS December 09 invoice was approved.

4. NEW BUSINESS

SC made a motion to authorize ARCADIS to issue a Letter of Intent to Skanska USA Building, Inc. NY Seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

SC spoke about the past Town Council meeting and that the committee would be reporting on the council's first meeting of the month.

Motion to adjourn was made by MP. JU seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

- A. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2010 at **6:30pm**
Meeting Adjourned 9:00 pm

We believe the preceding statements to be an accurate summary of items discussed. We would appreciate notification of exception to any items contained within these meeting minutes within three (3) days of receipt.

Minutes prepared by: Norman R. Benjamin, ARCADIS
Distribution;

Attendees, MSBC & Karen Lewis, Neal Beets, Rich Cody, Jeff Nelson