

# **Franklin School Building Committee**

## **Minutes**

December 10, 2008

**Call to order:** 6:04 p.m.

Mr. Mercer

**Attendance:** Mr. Feeley, Mr. Mason, Mr. Cafasso, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Sabolinski, Ms. Gould, Mr. D'Angelo, Mr. Nutting, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Goode, and Mr. Nathan. Mr. Allevato, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Leblanc and Mr. Halter were not in attendance.

### **General Business:**

It was recommended to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2008 School Building Committee meeting (see below).

Motion: Mr. Feeley

Second: Mr. Mason

Approve: 11

Absent: 4

It was noted by Mrs. Mullen that there should be some language change made with regard to the Davis Thayer modular. It was then recommend approving the minutes as amended.

**Presentation:** Attorney Christopher Petrini, from Petrini & Associates, P.C., spoke to the committee regarding CM at Risk Construction Delivery and the Design, Bid, Build method. He strongly suggests getting legal advice to spell everything out before picking a delivery method. He also suggests being weary of making premature decisions on project delivery until getting an OPM on board, and recommends using an independent firm.

### **Discussion:**

- SBA Tour of High School: It was noted that the SBA would like to tour the High School on Wednesday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. They had originally scheduled the tour for December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Feeley mentioned that he met with the SBA back in November. It was noted that it would be beneficial to have members of the SBA tour the High School to give some recommendations on whether they recommend a new building or a rehab of the existing building. He also mentioned that we could send in a submission for another school building as other towns have done. The SBA is not sure how they will handle the other submission requests they have received, but it was noted that if we do send in another submission, it will not compromise our High School submission.

Mr. Cafasso wondered what the members from the SBA might be interested in seeing at the High School. Mr. Nutting noted that they are sending out two

engineers and will likely look at the HVAC systems, the lack of handicap accessibility, and other issues that need to be resolved.

Mr. Mercer questions how we can renovate the High School and still effectively teach the children. When he posed that question to the SBA, they did not have an answer.

Mr. Mason noted that it might be worthwhile to speak with someone who experienced the King Philip renovation.

- Modulars: The School Committee recommended to remove the modulars located at Davis Thayer and the High School. Mr. Nutting commented that between the Town Council, the Finance Committee, etc., they would determine how much money could be procured for this project. It was also noted that if funding becomes an issue, it would be feasible to keep the triple modular at the high school, and just not use it anymore.

**Meeting Dates:** The next meeting will held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

**Adjourn:** 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Maureen Barker*