

# Franklin School Building Committee Minutes

October 24, 2011

Call to order: 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Mercer

*Attendance:* Mr. Mason, Mr. Cafasso, Mrs. Sabolinski, Mr. Light, Mr. D'Angelo, Mr. Nutting, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Leblanc, and Ms. Collins. Mr. Feeley arrived late. Mr. Allevato, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Goode, Mr. Nathan and Mr. Halter were not in attendance. Also in attendance were Mr. Roy, Mrs. Mullen and Mr. Glynn from the School Committee as well as Sean Fennell, Owners Project Manager and Jim Jordan from Ai3 Architects.

### *General Business:*

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2011 School Building Committee meeting.

Motion: Mr. Nutting

Second: Mr. Mason

Approve: 9

A motion was made to approve an invoice from Ai3 Architects.

Motion: Mr. Mason

Second: Mr. Nutting

Approve: 9

Mr. Mercer noted that this invoice has been reviewed and approved by Sean Fennell, Owners Project Manager.

*Presentation:* Mr. Jordan informed the Committee that the project continues to be on schedule - they are moving forward to meet the cost estimate deadline due on December 5<sup>th</sup>, geotech work has started and they are on track to work with the administration to get DESE approved space and program plans. He noted that they will have floor plans for the Committee to review at the next meeting.

*Discussion:* At the last meeting, the Committee voted to move the 6,000 sf walking track space to the first floor. Mr. Jordan noted that the MSBA is pushing back at the thought of 'changing' model plans now, even though Ai3 won't charge us for that design adjustment. It appears the MSBA just wants us to accept the 6,000 sf walking track on the second floor. Mr. Mercer noted that a decision needs to be made – either they accept what we request or we accept what they tell us. He noted that a decision will need to be made within the next two weeks. A meeting has been requested with the MSBA to discuss this issue. Mr. Mercer also noted that there will be a public meeting on the High School project scheduled for Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. He is hopeful to have floor plans and well as exterior elevations available for this meeting. Mrs. Sabolinski noted that the High School is having an open house on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> and Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> – she was hoping that someone from the Committee might come

and be available to answer questions. Mr. Cafasso volunteered for the 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Mercer noted that information is now available on the Town's website to answer frequently asked questions regarding this project. Mr. Cafasso noted that he feels it is important to add to the website the fact that the prior architect who stood to gain from the renovation project – strongly suggested we go with the Model School program.

*Meeting Dates:* The next meeting is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

*Adjourn:* 6:40 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Feeley

Second: Mr. Goode

Approve: 9

Respectfully Submitted,

Maureen Barker