

**NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 2, 2014**

The North Providence Facilities Committee met on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

in the Administration Conference Room at North Providence High School.

Members present were Melinda A. Smith, Superintendent; John McNamee, Committee Chair; Joseph Goho, Steven Andreozzi, David Wright, Jim Fuoroli, William Floriani, Donna Alqassar, Dr. Frank Pallotta, John Lynch and David Westcott .

Members Absent: Stephen Palmieri and Pasquale Zarlenga.

Also present were invited guests: Mayor Charles A. Lombardi; Mayor G. Richard Fossa; Kristen Catanzaro, Council President; Anthony R. Marciano, Sr., Esq., School Committee Chair; Lisa Jacques, Assistant

Superintendent; and representatives from Torrado Architects, Luis Torrado and Brian O'Connell.

Motion by Mr. McNamee and seconded by Mr. Floriani to begin meeting at 4:00 p.m.

I. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF ALTERNATE FACILITY PROPOSALS FOR

RIDE STAGE II APPLICATION INCLUDING REVIEW OF POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION SITES

Mr. McNamee gave a recap of the last facilities committee meeting.

Mr. Torrado

presented various school building improvement options and their related cost estimates to the Committee. The Committee discussed the various options and agreed to pursue Option H for further study.

In addition, the Committee requested Torrado Architects to propose an additional option that would downsize the proposed size of Greystone School in Option H. The additional option will utilize Centredale School as an additional elementary school, thereby increasing the number of elementary schools to four from three, as proposed in Option H.

The Committee discussed several site options and parcels of land in North Providence to build new schools. Existing school building

sites will also be considered for this project.

II. VOTE TO APPROVE RIDE STAGE II APPLICATION

The vote to approve the North Providence RIDE Stage II Application was tabled.

III. VOTE TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF RIDE STAGE II APPLICATION

**TO NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND TOWN COUNCIL
FOR THEIR APPROVAL**

This vote was tabled.

IV. SCHEDULE JOINT PUBLIC COMMITTEE MEETING WITH TOWN COUNCIL

AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE PRIOR TO APRIL 15, 2014

A general discussion ensued relative to the time table for the submission of the

Stage II Application to RIDE for approval by the Board of Education.

It was generally agreed that the original time table of submission of the Stage II Application to the Board of Education at their August

2014 meeting would be pursued. Accordingly, a joint meeting of the Town Council and School Committee would need to be scheduled in early to mid May 2014 seeking their approval. Once their approval is obtained, we could submit legislation in accordance with RIGL 16-7-44 to the General Assembly in May 2014 requesting the issuance of bonds at an agreed upon amount.

V. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND VOTE TO RECOMMEND CONSULTANT/

ARCHITECT FOR RIDE APPLICATION STAGE 3 AND STAGE 4

Motion by Mr. Floriani and seconded by Mr. Westcott and carried by unanimous

consent to keep Luis Torrado and firm, L A Torrado Architects, on to go forward with RIDE Stage 3 and Stage 4. This motion was subject to review of the existing Town Purchasing Procedures. Legal counsel will be consulted to determine if an RFP will be needed for Stages 3 and 4.

The Committee agreed to meet in two weeks on Thursday, April 17, 2014 at 4 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Corsi

Administrative Secretary to Superintendent

North Providence School Department