

# **LITTLE COMPTON SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

## **Minutes**

**Meeting, July 28, 2010 – 5:00 pm**

**Wilbur McMahon School Library**

**Members in Attendance:** Tom Alder, Bob Mushen, Don Gomez, Mike Steers, Margaret Manning, Lynn Brousseau-Lebreux, Beryl Borden, Principal Jim Gibney, Superintendent Kathryn Crowley, Dorie Freeman, John Osborne, Tom Arkins, Ben Gauthier, Dave MacGregor

**Members Absent:** Mark Rapp, Micah Shapiro, BG Shanklin, Jacob Talbot

The Architectural firm of Durkee Brown Viveiros Werenfels was in attendance, represented by Doug Brown, Ed Cifune, and Ashley Prester.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Alder at 5:05 pm.

A motion was made by Tom Alder, and seconded by Jim Gibney to approve the minutes from the July 13th and July 17th workshop meetings. This motion carried unanimously.

**Committee Business:** The Committee considered the membership of

**the Negotiation subcommittee. On a motion by Don Gomez, seconded by Bob Mushen, it was unanimously voted to add Superintendent Kathryn Crowley, and Chairman Tom Alder to the Negotiating subcommittee. This motion carried unanimously.**

**A presentation was then given by DBVW putting forth three potential design schemes for the school project. The meeting was then turned over to DBVW. Their notes follow below.**

**3.01 Presented Architect's Report of Last Building Committee Meeting, Architect's Report of Public Presentations and RIDE Meeting Note.**

**3.02 Brief Review of Existing Conditions Report, Hazardous Materials Report and NESDEC Demographics Study / Enrollment Projections.**

**- The existing building is generally in good condition. However, numerous deficiencies and code violations exist which must be addressed. Additional structural analysis will occur in August to review the glue laminated wood beams in the 1972 addition and the low slope roof framing over the science room in the 1929 building.**

**- Hazardous materials report identified items present in the building. These will be abated as part of the school project if the referendum is successful. A plan must be developed and adopted by the school department and administration prior to the start of school.**

**- NESDEC enrollment projections show a decline in ten years down to 256 students. However, several factors will influence this trend. These are as follows: Baby boom housing turn over, large tracts of buildable land, affordable housing units, declining private and parochial school enrollments, proposed rail line between Boston and south Coast and accelerated housing turn over. The swing either way could be between 20-30 students. We anticipate a steady enrollment of 315 students, but the school must be sized to be flexible to accommodate.**

### **3.03 Brief Review of Educational Specifications and Space Needs Program**

- These documents are in draft form and will be finalized with the Superintendent and Principal.**
- Discussed the strategy of sizing the classrooms to accommodate 16-20 students instead of the RIDE recommended 24 students.**
- Briefly reviewed non-RIDE reimbursable areas: Locker Rooms, Band Room, Greenhouse & Kitchen Overage.**

### **3.04 Presented Proposed Building and Site Options**

- Options #1 through #3 were presented. A fourth site option was also prepared.**

**On a motion made by Tom Allder, and seconded by Don Gomez, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:51 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Tom Allder**