

SOUTH PORTLAND SCHOOL DEPARTMENT SECONDARY SCHOOLS FACILITIES COMMITTEE

December 3, 2009

MEETING NOTES

These notes were prepared by Polly Ward to the best of her understanding. If you find any inaccuracies, please contact the Superintendent of Schools Office at 871-0555 within one week after receiving the notes.

Present: Molly Aldrich, Steve Bailey, Ralph Baxter, Maxine Beecher, Ellen Benson, Tom Blake, Ralph Cabana, Dan Cecil, Frank Crabtree, Jeanne Crocker, Kathy Germani, Suzanne Godin, Carrie Hall-Indorf, Ross Little, Greg Marles, Randy Martin, Eric Mills, Dan Robbins, Scott Pakulski, Polly Ward, Megan Welter, Kevin Woodhouse

Guests: Susan Adams, Roger Allen, Rick Carter, Sara Goldberg, Alan Livingston, Jerald McQueeney

1. Minutes of November 19, 2009
 - Minutes approved

2. LEED/Green Building systems
 - LEED – most recognizable green building standards – third party verification that a building is green
 - The most important factor in saving energy is the building envelope
 - It appears that the new building component of the project can meet LEED standards. LEED certification and the renovation component of the building will still need to be determined
 - Might want to put the LEED Certification fees on as an alternate – let the voters decide if they want to pursue this

3. SPSHS Full Project Review
 - This discussion began with the studies of SPSHS and both middle schools that were done 4-5 years ago
 - The Committee began working on the H.S. plan in 2006
 - The Committee began revising the H.S. scheme in September 2009 with hope for a new referendum in June 2010
 - The Committee started discussion of the latest revisions to the building by going through all of the components of the building that went to referendum
 - A survey was done to determine what components of the referendum scheme were not supported by the voters
 - A list was made of the components that worked well for the building
 - There were explanations of site and storm water treatment issues
 - The current plan consolidates site utilities – a lot of re-routing of utilities will be required
 - This latest scheme represents a reduction of 29,000 sq. ft. from the scheme that went to referendum
 - If we have a successful June 2010 referendum, work would start in June 2011

- Relocation of power distribution needs to be done during the first summer
- Staging plans and potential impact on project costs were discussed
- A request was made for a handout of the pros and cons of a June v. November referendum

4. Public Comments

- A question was raised about the durability/life of recycled material
- A dry pond similar to the one we talked about can be seen at Cheverus
- A question was raised about whether Westbrook Middle School is LEED Certified – it isn't because they decided not to pursue the paperwork
- Question about added cost of computerized energy management system – currently done in-house
- Support for investing in this school is needed
- Suggestion that we may be able to find 10-15 minutes of the video tape from this meeting that could be boiled down to take to PTA's, etc.

5. Next meeting date: December 17, 2009 – SPSHS Library, 6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

- Cost of the whole project and particular components
- Additional meeting scheduled on January 7, 2010 to discuss the project and the costs
- Next meetings:
 - January 14, 2010
 - January 28, 2010