

School Facilities Committee Meeting  
November 17, 2014  
Minutes

Meeting opened at 8:40 a.m. by K.C. Kato. In attendance: Jack Morgan, David Lussier, Judy Belliveau, Matt Kelley, David Murphy, Joe McDonough, Han Larsen.

North 40 Update provided by Hans Larsen and David Murphy. If purchased by the town, likely to be a lag before final decision on what to do with the property. Timing of a potential deal would be at a Special Town Meeting in January 2015.

The SFC reviewed the FMD FY2016 capital request. Discussion on capital items at Hardy, Hunnewell and Upham. Security updates (similar to that which is being piloted at Fiske and Schofield as part of the debt exclusion) would be the next substantial item considered for all remaining schools.

David Lussier proposed consideration for expanding PAWS. Due to increasing enrollment, Fiske has given up their art room to PAWS in FY15. David is concerned about increasing enrollment in FY16 and FY17.

Next Steps:

K.C. Kato will meet with Matt King of the PBC to gain the PBC perspective on both a Security Project and a PAWS expansion project.

David Lussier will bring PAWS enrollment data to the next meeting.

Joe McDonough will follow-up with SMMA regarding continuation of the Hardy, Hunnewell, Upham Study into FY16. He will also invite SMMA to participate in the next SFC meeting.

Citizens Speak

Josh Dorin, Wellesley Historical Society. Josh notified the SFC that the Planning Board had recently passed a regulation prohibiting the building of decked parking lots. He also encouraged the committee to discuss the drawbacks of consolidation and keep an open mind to keeping open Hardy, Hunnewell and Upham. Concerns that individual school communities will be resistant to closing their school.

Motion to Adjourn made by David Lussier and seconded by Matt Kelley. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.