

Andover High School Facility Study Committee

Minutes of January 8th, 2018

Chair: Annie Gilbert
Members: Shelley Berman, Bethany Carey, Phil Conrad, David Howard,
Mark Johnson, Samir Srouji
Liaisons: Sam Holland, Shannon Scully, Bonnie Zahorik, Renee Druke
Staff: Janet Nicosia
HMFH: James Liebman, Julia Nugent

1. **Call to Order:**
Annie Gilbert called the meeting to order at 7:12 am.
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
On a motion by Shelley Berman seconded by Phil Conrad, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes of December 4, 11, and 18th (2017).
4. **Review Design Options:**

NOTE: Presentation slides can be found at:
<http://www.aps1.net/DocumentCenter/Home/View/8679>

Julia Nugent of HMFH began the presentation by noting that the slides represent a range of strategic approaches for the Committee to consider. There are multiple ways to achieve each approach; today's focus is to review possible approaches that can be fleshed out for further consideration.

Strategy 1: Life Safety Upgrades

This approach would add sprinklers to the areas where they do not currently exist and provide upgrades to the fire alarm system. It would also include a new vestibule security entry in the existing lobby. It would not include other code upgrades such as water-saving plumbing improvements.

Strategy 2: Life Safety Upgrades plus Limited Renovation

This approach includes all upgrades in Strategy 1, plus renovations to the cafeteria, kitchen, and corridors (removal of lockers, increased visibility to classrooms). Sprinklers could either be within ceilings or exposed below ceilings as a cost-saving measure.

Strategy 3: Full Building Renovation with Addition

This approach renovates the existing building to maximize its potential and includes an addition to increase space for academic programs. This would be a 20-30 year approach that improves the overcrowding situation, but does not resolve it. Some classroom spaces would be added, but existing classroom sizes would not be increased. This approach would require a phased renovation with the use of modular classrooms as a swing space.

Strategy 4: Full Building Renovation with New Stand-alone Academic Building

This approach would result in classroom spaces that meet MSBA standards. The stand-alone academic building would not trigger immediate renovation of existing building, but would provide swing space for phased-renovation of existing building. A bridge connecting the two buildings could be added at a future date if desired.

Strategy 5: New High School Building

This strategy would require MSBA participation.

Comments: Mark Johnson asked that HMFH bring back information on the ways overcrowding would and would not be addressed by each option. Mark would also like to know how much the town would save longterm with each option, i.e. what the return on investment would be. Samir Srouji would like to see us maximize the size of the addition so as to get as close as possible to meeting the MSBA space requirement. Bonnie Zahorik would like to see further clarification of educational delivery criteria so that we will understand exactly what is gained and lost as we refine options.

5. Adjournment:

On a motion by Mark Johnson seconded by Shelley Berman, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:10 am.