

PROJECT BUILDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Topic: 200 Strawberry Hill Avenue

Date: Wednesday, November 19, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Engineering Bureau Conference Room, 7th fl./Govt. Ctr.
888 Washington Blvd., Stamford, CT

Attendees:

- *Dr. Winifred Hamilton, Supt. of Stamford Public Schools
- *Mary Savage, Board of Reps.
- *Rich Lyons, Board of Education Facilities,
- *Richard Freedman, Board of Finance
- *Joseph Coppola, Jr., Board of Reps.
- *Anne Downey, Stamford Resident
- *Steve Falcone, Board of Education
- *Geoff Alswanger, Board of Education
- *Jackie Heftman, Board of Education
- Ernie Orgera, Dir. of Operations
- Karen Cammarota, Grants Office
- *Cindy Grafstein, Mayor's Office
- Al Barbarotta, Board of Education Facilities
- *Lou Casolo, City Engineer
- *Domenick Tramontozzi, Sr. Construction Mgr., Engineering

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m.

A motion of accept the minutes of the November 5, 2014 meeting was made by Lou Casolo and seconded by Jeff Alswanger. Dr. Hamilton noted one correction on page #3—...next meeting is scheduled for *November 19th*, not *December 19th*. The committee agreed unanimously to accept the minutes.

Cindy Grafstein stated that at the last meeting the Committee requested that Dr. Hamilton and the Board of Ed. Facilities consider alternatives for swing space, if the 2016 deadline is not feasible. Jackie Heftman interjected that the Board of Ed. has had no discussion on the matter. She also stated that it is important to provide the public and press with accurate information about what may transpire between now and 2016. Dr. Savage questioned why the Committee was unwilling to discuss possible scenarios of swing space other than the use of 200 Strawberry Hill Ave. since it does not require a vote from the members of this committee.

There is a “stay” on the demolition of the two residential buildings. The Historical Society requested that the decision be postponed until their meeting with the Planning Board.

Lou suggested that he be authorized to present an RFP that talks about the swing space and full building build out by 2018. There was also a consensus that Lou provide preliminary plans of the temporary space, in the existing building.

Domenick requested that the BOE provide an ed spec. for the temporary space needs.

The project timeline needs to be re-evaluated now that there is a Building Committee. During the meetings, the members will explore effective ways to stay within the project’s timeline and programmatic specifications.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, 2014, at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

(*Denotes Committee member)