

**Minutes from the
Regular Meeting of the
Central School Building Committee
on Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

A meeting of the East Bridgewater Central School Building Committee was held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 5:00 PM in the Anne Kenneally Hynes Library in the East Bridgewater Jr/Sr High School.

In attendance were: Assistant Superintendent Dr. Gina Williams, School Business Manager John Shea, Town Administrator Charlie Seelig; Select Board Member Carole Julius, Town Accountant Melanie Dean, Brian Kiely, John Haines, Karen Harhen Finance Committee, Meghan McLaughlin, Joe Rodricks, David Horton III, Donald McDougall, and Rebecca Fidler School Committee

Not in attendance: Gordon McKinnon, Elizabeth Legault, Kate Byrne, Dan Picha

Meeting was opened at 5:04pm by Chair, Gina Williams

Also in attendance: Dagne Fleming, teacher

Reports & Discussions:

- ❖ Motion to approve the minutes from the 10/24/23 meeting
 - Motion - Julius/Haines
 - Approved unanimously

- ❖ Members introduced themselves to the committee

- ❖ Intro to the share drive – discussion of how to share the share drive with members, the drive has been shared with all members

- ❖ Discussed that we should start a school building committee email address, that way everyone would get all the correspondence , Charlie and Melanie will talk to Ryan McGonigle about setting up the email, committee should let us know if they have a different email address that they want us to use, additional discussion about what public records law this subjects the emails to

- ❖ Gina shared the eligibility timeline for the first period with MSBA – we are waiting for the MSBA to vote on our feasibility agreement vote which will happen 2/28/24 by MSBA

- ❖ Question and answer document reviewed – major points – 1. can't do anything about an OPM until after the 2/28/24 vote, 2. we can schedule tours of other buildings, 3. Can't advertise for bids/OPMs, 4. can do website, 5. can have residents tour our building, 6. can create selection subcommittees

- ❖ David requested for all prior documents submitted to MSBA to be made available to committee

- ❖ Discussion of subcommittees to be formed - 1. selection, 2. communications, 3. touring, 4, finance
- ❖ Roles and responsibilities of selection committee were discussed, it was noted that the MSBA website has information on the requirements, members wanting to serve on this committee stated their interest
- ❖ Motion to form selection committee
 - Motion - Shea/Horton
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ Motion to appoint Brian Kiely, John Haines, Don McDougall, David Horton, and Charlie Seelig to the selection committee
 - Motion - Dean/Rodricks
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ Roles and responsibilities of communication subcommittee were discussed, including website and email, the OPMs role in communications, and funds available, members wanting to serve on this committee stated their interest
- ❖ Motion to nominate Rebecca Fidler as chair of the communication committee
 - Motion - Kiely/Haines
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ Motion to appoint Rebecca Fidler, Karen Harhen, Joe Rodricks, Carol Julius, and Meghan McLaughlin to the communication committee
 - Motion - Dean/Williams
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ Discussed area MSBA projects as potential schools to tour, and tours to public of Central School, members wanting to serve on this committee expressed interest
- ❖ Motion to nominate Kate Byrne as Chair of tour committee
 - Motion - Williams/Dean
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ Still need to set tour committee - Dagny Fleming was not yet sworn in and Liz Legault was not in attendance
- ❖ Motion to add John Shea to the communications committee
 - Motion - Kiely/Harhen
 - Approved unanimously
- ❖ it was questioned if an individual can serve on a subcommittee without being on the CSBC
- ❖ It was requested that all individuals that serve on different boards and committees in the Town keep their board or committee up to date on what is going on at CSBC meetings and our progress with the MSBA, the CSBC will provide highlights to be shared, additionally the planning board should be kept informed, TRACT committee might eventually be involved
- ❖ EBCAM has offered to record meetings, we plan to evaluate this after the February vote by MSBA

- ❖ Discussion of where meeting minutes will be posted
- ❖ Next meeting set for 12/5/23
- ❖ Motion to adjourn at 6:00pm
 - Motion - Seelig/Rodricks
 - Approved unanimously

Public Comments

None

Respectfully Submitted by,

Melanie Dean
Secretary

***** The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.**