

LEXINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, November 14, 2014

Central Office Conference Room

146 Maple Street

PRESENT: Superintendent Dr. Paul Ash, Chair Margaret Coppe, School Committee Members Jessie Steigerwald, Alessandro Alessandrini, Judith Crocker, Student Representative Abigail Schwartz

The minutes were taken by Margaret Coppe, Chair

The meeting convened at 4:15 pm

The Chair announced that this is a working meeting of the Committee in preparation for the Board of Selectmen meeting on November 17, 2014.

Before moving on, the Committee will be using the definition of the following terms:

Standard Modular Classrooms	\$338/square foot	10 month lead time
Pre-fabricated Classrooms	\$330/square foot	18 month lead time
Brick and mortar	\$400/square foot	24 month lead time

Standard modular: smaller windows, wood siding, life expectancy 6-10 years

Pre-fabricated modular: larger windows, high quality siding, life expectancy 20 years

Brick-and-mortar: permanent additions, or wings, life expectancy 50 years.

K-5 Enrollment Concerns and Space Options

The School Committee worked on the November 17 presentation to the Board of Selectmen asking for a Special Town Meeting to appropriate funds for up to 6 standard modular classrooms, up to 2 each at the Bowman, Bridge, and Fiske elementary schools.

Discussion centered on options to relieve the overcrowding at these schools, including adding modular classrooms, increasing class size, using art, music, library or gymnasium space for classrooms, and redistricting.

Motion to request the Board of Selectmen hold a special town meeting in January 2015 to appropriate the funds to lease with an option to buy for use at elementary classrooms, with appropriate site work and appropriate funds for site work or take any other action necessary for additional space (Coppe, Alessandrini)

The Motion was approved 5-0

A rough draft of the presentation was drawn up, and the Committee decided to adjourn and to meet on Saturday, November 15, to continue to work on it.

Motion to adjourn (Hurley, Crocker)

The Motion was approved 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Meeting Materials: Agenda; Overview of School and District Data Needs; School Capacity and Enrollment Projections; Fiske Redistricting Options; 2015-2016 Projected Enrollment

Voted by the School Committee January 6, 2015