

**AGENDA** – called to order at 7:15

Gordon Brewster, Andy Oldemann, Henry Ottinger, Pam Beaudoin, Theresa Whitman, John B, Ruth, Dave, Jen H, Mike G., Kim Provost, Tim McDonald Ariel Jason

A. Call to Order 7:00PM

B. Business Meeting 7:00PM

1) New Business -

2) Continued Business

- Debrief of Essex Elementary building tour – some members toured the building to see current conditions and facility challenges relative to physical environment and program. Mike G. noted exterior features and community uses.
  - Andy – building presents as expected – building systems are wanting attention – quality of spaces are not what they deserve to be. Reflects the vintage of its building and this school is not energy efficient.
  - Gordon – reinforced that it’s been well maintained BUT that maintenance is deceptive as the reality is that the building has exceeded its useful life.
  - Jason—regarding the side field—drainage pipe is broken and corroded so field is extremely wet.
  - Jen – is there opposition?
  - Tim – wants to really understand if there is promise in the existing structure/wants us to be mindful of thoroughly examining the possibility of renovation.
  - Pam reiterated that the MSBA requires that thorough examination with data.
  - Pam asked Kim to speak to accessibility issues and small group spaces. District has had to move program to Memorial to address accessibility.
- Design Enrollment Projection from MSBA – Vote Anticipated
  - Theresa mentioned potential development on Essex Park Road – potential >30 new units. Pam informed the MSBA. Talked about the current numbers and the fact that the MSBA acknowledged the added information but it probably won’t move the needle.
  - Henry asked about the capacity at Memorial.
  - Pam talked about the SBC’s ability to make space decisions.
  - We talked about the implications of alternate grade configurations in terms of facilities, costs, operational changes, etc.
  - Preferred Solution – SBC comes up with the preferred solution including and accounting for public support.
  - Pam recommends that we work with the OPM and Architect to provide a roadmap to getting the answers to these additional questions. What’s the most efficient way to address this? Maybe in PDP?
  - Gordon made the motion to approve Design Enrollment projection from MSBA—Henry seconded the motion. Unanimous
- Next Steps and estimated timeline in the MSBA Process

- Pam informs the MSBA that we approved the Study Enrollment Certification
- MERSD attend MSBA Board Meeting to receive approval to move to next stage of process
- Next meeting probably in November – maybe October
- Reviewed the next steps

### 3) New Business

October 22<sup>nd</sup> or November 26<sup>th</sup>

Adjourned 8 pm