

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Design Subcommittee**  
of the Concord Middle School Building Committee

Minutes of the Thursday, February 13, 2020 meeting at Ripley School

**Present:** Court Booth (Chair), Justin Cameron, Dawn Guarriello, Laurie Hunter, Charlie Parker, Chris Popov

**Hill International:** Mike Carroll, Julie Leduc

**SMMA:** Mike Dowhan, Phil Poinelli, Matt Rice

**EwingCole:** Saul Jabbawy, Keith Fallon, Bill Smarzewski and Yunoh Kim

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM

**EwingCole: Design Concepts, first review.** EwingCole shared a brief summary highlight of educational visioning, including: 700 student enrollment, focus on addressing the unique social/emotional needs of the early adolescent, high fidelity and commitment to teaming, recognition of homeBASE, opportunity and joy in learning, connections to natural landscape and history of Concord, media center at heart of the school and multi-cultural center. Mr. Booth confirmed that teacher efficacy is also embedded within the visioning.

EwingCole reviewed 5 options for arranging a 158,000 square foot school building, noting that the unique topography of the land on the site will need to be taken into account. They stressed that natural turf fields would require 2 full growing seasons, or a 2 year period. EwingCole reviewed the organization of the building/design elements included in the 5 diagrams, noting that components from each option could be combined.

Mr. Booth noted that the location of support services for students should be taken into consideration. The Subcommittee discussed design concepts including: multi-stories, bridges, and a team model. The possible site plan was reviewed and a rough number of 200-230 parking spaces was noted, as well as the effects of having an auditorium on the number of parking spaces. Mr. Parker suggested the Subcommittee get more guidance on construction cost differences and run differences. Mr. Carroll noted that Hill will review cost estimates in March that will help provide different options. The Subcommittee discussed how to present information at the Public Forum on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Popov, seconded by Ms. Guarriello, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Higgins