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Abington Frolio Middle School Project Working Session #11

Notes for Session: 7:30 AM, January 14, 2014

Attendees: Peter Schafer, Felicia Moschella, Jason Linn, Teresa Sullivan, Jessica Sullivan, Rosanne Kurposka, Jannette Leary, Roger Boddie, Kathy Bailey, Peter Serino, Shawn Reilly, Troy Randall, Scott Dunlap, Mary Mahoney

Items:

1. Ai3 reported on recent communications with MSBA regarding review comments for the Preferred Schematic Study & Report (PSS&R) and request to amend documentation prior to attending the MSBA's Facilities Assessment Subcommittee (FAS) meeting. The FAS presentation has been scheduled for January 15, 2014. An overview of the process and purpose of MSBA's FAS was provided. MSBA's comments and amendments requested include the following:
 - a. Auditorium – Total area for Auditorium needs to comply with MSBA's high school space summary guidelines. The space summary was revised to reduce the stage from 2,000 sf to 1,600 sf. Ai3 noted that the stage was originally sized at 2,000 sf to provide an additional music teaching station. Space reduction to MSBA guidelines provides sufficient space for performance needs and flexibility for an additional teaching station.
 - b. Health & Physical Education – MSBA requests reduction in the Health & Physical Education space category to 25,444 sf. The changes incorporated to meet this requirement were both recommended by MSBA and include re-assigning a health classroom to Core Academic space category and revising the total gym space to meet MSBA's guideline for a high school gymnasium at 12,000 sf, plus inclusion of two (2) alternate physical education spaces which provides 6,000 sf for use as the middle school gymnasium. The gym as denoted at 12,000 sf can provide flexibility in the space layout to provide space for fitness area or other specialize activity. The reduction to the overall gymnasium area allowed for some expansion of the locker room areas while maintaining MSBA's require total category space requirement of 25,444 sf.
 - c. Core Academic – The health classroom discussed earlier was added to the space category. Based on working session comments last week an additional science lab was included to meet the current/future high school education program and scheduling needs.
 - d. Special Education – based on program discussions the past week adjustments were made to maximize the number of full size classrooms in the space category to meet existing high school space needs.
 - e. Art – for the middle school one classroom was added to account for the CDC program and the high school includes 2d Art, 3d Art classrooms and re-assignment of the digital media lab to the Vocational/Technology space category.
 - f. Green Wave Café – this space was re-assigned to the Special Education category based on its enrollment and program.

General discussions ensued regarding the various space summary revisions and clarification on MSBA guidelines and adaptation for a co-located middle school high school. it was noted that the mechanical/boiler room are listed but space is not specifically identified on the space summary because MSBA includes these spaces in the building grossing factor to achieve the gross building area.



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2. Ai3 briefly reviewed the presentation materials prepared for MSBA's FAS meeting including a review for the updated conceptual site plan and building plans each which were adjusted based on comments received during last week's working session, follow up programming meeting with Middle School representatives, and MSBA comments.
 - a. The conceptual site plan was adjusted to include a change to the middle school academic wing and other parking and vehicular access items noted in the prior working session
 - b. The floor plans were reviewed with focus on the adjustment of the middle school academic wing to a two-story structure to meet the team and grade arrangements discussed in the concept of a school within a school.

General discussions ensued regarding but not limited to the new layout for the middle school academic wing, proximity of parking to the auditorium, tennis court alignment, curved exterior wall along the auditorium and high school dining area, proximity of receiving to the kitchen for management of deliveries, and Pre-K play area.
3. Brief discussion ensued regarding plans for meeting with Community Groups and Town Agents, Police, Fire, Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Conservation Commission to incorporate their needs and requirements into the documents with an agreement to plan meetings following MSBA's approval of the Preferred Schematic Study & Report.
4. NEXT WORKING SESSION MEETING IS SCHEDULED ON **FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2014 AT 7:30 AM.**

To the best of my knowledge, these notes are a fair representation of the issues and items discussed at the meeting. Additional items or corrections should be brought to the attention of the writer.

Submitted by: M. Mahoney 1/14/14