



School Construction Committee
Maine State Board of Education
Minutes of the June 26, 2020 Meeting

The School Construction Committee held a virtual Zoom meeting on June 26, 2020.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Fern Desjardins, Martha Harris, and Peter Geiger

OTHERS PRESENT:

Scott Brown, MDOE School Facilities
Jim Harford, MDOE School Facilities
Mary Becker, State Board of Education staff
Wilson Hess, State Board of Education, Chair

Michael Eastman, RSU 24 Superintendent
David Bridgham, RSU 24 Business Mgr.
Kathy Cogan, CHA Architecture
Abbey Frost, Ellsworth American

Martha Harris called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Motion by Fern Desjardins, seconded by Peter Geiger, and unanimously voted by those present to accept the February 28, 2020 minutes.

Martha Harris asked Scott Brown to introduce the first Exhibit on the agenda: Design and Funding Approval Consideration for the new RSU 24 Grades 6-12 construction project. After providing a brief history and overview of the project Mr. Brown turned the presentation over to RSU 24 Superintendent Michael Eastman who updated the Committee on the project's development since Concept Approval. Superintendent Eastman discussed the referendum and community support for the project. Superintendent Eastman then had his architect, Kathy Cogan from CHA Architecture, provide the Committee with additional technical information regarding the building plan, site plan, and budget. After several questions and further discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to place the project on the State Board of Education's July 15, 2020 business meeting agenda. (Motion by Fern Desjardins, seconded by Peter Geiger)

Scott Brown provided a brief update on the project status of the two projects on the Integrated, Consolidated 9-16 Educational Facility 2017-18 Approved Projects List. Mr. Brown also discussed the status of the three projects on the Major Capital School Construction Program 2017-18 Approved Projects List. After a brief discussion it was requested that additional information regarding the Integrated, Consolidated 9-16 Educational Facility 2017-18 Approved Projects List be presented at the next Construction Committee meeting scheduled for July 31, 2020 at 1 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 P.M.