Sudbury School Committee Meeting Minutes September 27, 2022 Virtual Meeting

Members Present:

Silvia Nerssessian, Chair Meredith Gerson, Vice Chair Nicole Burnard Mandy Sim Sarah Troiano

Members Absent:

None

Also Present:

Brad Crozier, Superintendent Kim Swain, Assistant Superintendent Sandra Duran, Combined Facilities Director Stephanie Juriansz, Director of Student Services

Regular Session Meeting

Chair Silvia Nerssessian opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Opening Statement / Regular Session
 - a. Chair Silvia Nerssessian performed a roll call and made an announcement that the session is being recorded, that we are not live for the public to see and hear tonight due to other meetings and there should be no expected right to privacy, as this is a public forum. Meredith Gerson, Nicole Burnard, Mandy Sim, Sarah Troiano and Silvia Nerssessian all affirmed in the positive.
- 2. Public Comment:
 - a. None
- 3. Business and Policy Matters
 - a. ADA Transition Plan, Sandra Duran, Combined Facilities Director
 - i. Community Preservation Committee Application Items
 - ii. Massachusetts Office of Disabilities Grant (MOD) Items
 - iii. Sudbury School Committee Letters of Support
 - Chair Silvia Nerssessian welcomed Combined Facilities Director, Sandra Duran, to the meeting. She then shared with the Committee what Sandra will be reviewing in order to apply for the MA Office of Disabilities Grant and CPC funding.

- 2. Ms. Duran then reviewed the procedures and requirements necessary to apply for the grant. She confirmed that a self-assessment transition plan is needed in order to do this and presented to the Committee the projects she has identified to include in the grant application. The projects include accessibility to athletic fields, picnic tables, benches and drinking fountains as well as assisted listening devices in public buildings. She then shared details of each project including the cost estimates and timelines.
- 3. Questions from the Committee included whether the town has shared a letter of support for the project. How did she come up with the number of hydration stations? Do the cost estimates for the project include design fees? Is there detailed information on the transition plan available on the town website? The Committee then asked for clarification that every opening at Curtis will be accessible.
- 4. The Committee then entered into discussion with Superintendent Crozier to better understand their role in future action items if the grant is accepted.
- Meredith Gerson moves to approve the letters of support for Massachusetts Office of Disability grant funding for accessible water fountains installation, assisted listening devices and accessible pathways to athletic fields, accessible benches and picnic seating areas as amended. Sarah Troiano seconded the motion.
- 6. The Committee discussed edits to the letters of support to confirm details of egress accessibility.
 - a. ROLL CALL VOTE:

i. Meredith Gerson: Aye

ii. Sarah Troiano: Aye

ii. Mandy Sim: Aye

iv. Nicole Burnard: Aye

v. Silvia Nerssessian: Aye

1. Vote 5-0. Motion carries.

- The Committee then discussed whether to submit the Community Preservation Application items in phases or submit them all together.
- 8. Questions from the Committee included when we will be notified of the decision.
- 4. Curtis Outdoor Wellness Space
 - a. Chair Silvia Nerssessian shared with the Committee an update on the planning of the Curtis Wellness Outdoor project. The updates included cost estimates having been reviewed and design options presented.

- b. Stephanie Juriansz, Director of Student Services, was welcomed to the meeting by Chair Nerssessian. Ms. Juriansz took the opportunity to thank the Committee for having her and shared with them the importance of the structure as it will provide an opportunity for social engagement.
- c. Questions from the Committee included whether the gaga pit was included in the price and was the student survey considered when choosing structures?
- d. Comments from the Committee included their support and comfort level in pursuing the higher cost option of the playground due to the size of the Curtis community as well as accessibility to the town residents.

5. Adjournment

- a. Chair Silvia Nerssessian moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Sarah Troiano seconded the motion.
 - i. ROLL CALL VOTE:

1. Meredith Gerson: Aye

2. Nicole Burnard: Aye

3. Mandy Sim: Aye

4. Sarah Troiano: Aye

5. Silvia Nerssessian: Aye

a. Vote: 5-0. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Williams
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Documents Reviewed During the September 27, 2022 School Committee Meeting

- 1. SSC Letters of Support 9.27.22
- 2. Curtis Outdoor Space Cost Estimates
- 3. Curtis Version 1
- 4. Curtis Version 2