

**ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL FACILITY STUDY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

DATE: March 1, 2019

- Public Meeting
- Workshop

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The Andover High School Facility Study Committee met on Friday, March 1, 2019 in Conference Room A at the School Department.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. and there was a discussion of revisions to the statement of interest that is to be submitted to the MSBA in April. The following matters were discussed:

1. We should focus on the current overcrowding and the affect that it has on the delivery of education in Andover. We are delivering 21st century education in a 20th century school. It impacts the delivery of science. MSBA wants science classrooms to have 24 students or less and 61% of the science classrooms at Andover High currently have more than 24 students.
2. The statement of interest should include programs that do not exist at the high school. 75% of the faculty travel to different classes which means they are not able to spend time talking to students between classrooms.
3. What programs we want to implement at Andover High but cannot implement.
4. The space that we are using that has no access to natural light and the affect on education.
5. The room utilization does not provide flexibility in schedules.
6. Spaces that were not design for classrooms being used for classrooms.

7. Janet spoke to the superintendant in Stoneham and we have reviewed their statement of interest which was accepted. Stoneham was a 650 student school. One of their reasons was not current overcrowding but future overcrowding. We discussed that Andover has current overcrowding and we should focus on the current overcrowding in which we have 1800 students in a school designed for 1600 students which under current MSBA guidelines, should only have 1400 students. We should emphasize the future overcrowding, just that it will not get better as we seem to have differing numbers with the MSBA enrollment projections.
8. There was a discussion of the upcoming Boston Furniture Conference and Shelly indicated that a number of people from Andover would be attending. It is held in Boston this year. Next year is New York City so it looks like a good opportunity to go to a local conference. It was noted that Bancroft is on the list of schools that they will be touring.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 5th at 7:30 a.m. Shelly will circulate the final draft of the SOI prior to the meeting so that we can discuss further suggested revisions.

There was a discussion of the Warrant Article for the \$220,000.00 and a summary will be circulated for inclusion in the financial committee report.

There being no further matters to come before the Committee, upon motion made by David and seconded by Shelly, it was voted to ADJOURN.



Mark B. Johnson, Chair