

June 6, 2013

To: School Committee
Becky McFall, Superintendent
Buck Creel, Administrator for Business and Finance

From: Jennifer Glass, School Committee
Sarah Cannon Holden, Town Moderator

Re: School Building Advisory Committee: Proposed Slate

At the May 16, 2013 School Committee meeting, the School Committee voted to establish a School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC). The charge of the SBAC, as outlined at the meeting, is as follows:

Task: Based on the Statement of Interest and the prior work of the School Building Committee, propose 2-4 possible pathways for addressing the needs of the school. Describe the scope of each, and submit a report to the SC by October/November 2013.

- Note: There are no funds dedicated to this work. If Lincoln is invited back into the MSBA pipeline, detailed plans and cost estimates would be developed through the Feasibility Study process. If Lincoln is not invited into the pipeline, the School Committee could still choose to ask Lincoln residents to support the development of these and other options. Funding for plan development would be sought through Town Meeting.

Goal: Proposed pathways will be considered by the School Committee and a future School Building Committee as starting points for future design/project development.

Topics to Consider: In developing proposed pathways, the committee will seek input from, and consistently communicate with, relevant boards and host public forums to consider topics of value to the community such as:

- How will renovations support/improve education and position the school for the future?
- How can a renovated building support after-hours community use?
- How should a renovation address Lincoln's sustainable energy goals?
- What kinds of campus renovations are important for supporting both school and recreational use of the campus (fields/parking/roadways)?

Meetings: The Advisory Committee will schedule its own meetings which will meet in public venues in accordance with Open Meeting Law. The School Committee will announce the meetings and suggests that at least 1-2 meetings are held per month. The Advisory Committee will select its own Chair.

It was also agreed that the composition of the SBAC would be:

- Up to 4 members of the former School Building Committee or current School Committee (appointed by the School Committee)
- Up to 4 community members with architecture and/or construction experience (appointed by the School Committee)
- Up to 4 at-large community members (appointed by the Town Moderator)

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An article was placed in the Lincoln *Journal* soliciting the community for volunteers. In addition, the same notice was sent out to all Lincoln School families and to the list of community members that voluntarily provided email addresses at the meetings held after the November vote.

As a result of these efforts, 26 individuals indicated their willingness to serve on the committee. The attached slate reflects an effort to create a committee that represents a broad spectrum of views, a mix of people who do and do not have children in the school and a combination of those who have been deeply involved in the process and some who are new to the conversation.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all who volunteered to invest time and energy into this process, and hope those who are not on the slate will, nevertheless, remain involved. We believe this committee will carefully consider the needs of the Lincoln School and has the opportunity to build consensus.

Proposed Slate:

Former SBC/Current School Committee Members

Owen Beenhouwer, SBC
Tim Christenfeld, School Committee
Jen James, School Committee
Gary Taylor, SBC

Architecture/Construction Experience

Douglas Adams
Ken Bassett
Vincent Cannistraro
Peter Sugar

At-Large Community Members (appointed by the Town Moderator)

Loretta Arthur
Steven Perlmutter
Maggy Pietropaolo
Hathaway Russell

Next Steps

If the slate is approved at the June 6 meeting, the School Committee will be responsible for scheduling the first meeting of the SBAC. After the first meeting, the SBAC will determine the frequency and schedule of its meetings.