Dover Community Center Building Committee  
Meeting of April 22, 2009
Minutes

DCCBC members present: Dave Billings, Samantha Burman, Jane Hemstreet, Dick Malcom, Alison Piper, Jeff Sauter, Nancy Simms, Ford Spalding, Nancy Weinstein, Kathy Weld, and Dana White. Also present: Selectman Carol Lisbon.

Chairman Ford Spalding called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Minutes of March 25, 2009 were approved as presented.

Ford reported on his presentation to the Council on Aging regarding Article 11 and DCCBC’s recommendation to refurbish the Caryl building for continuing use as a community center.

The Committee discussed the key points that should be made in the presentation for Article 11 at Town Meeting:

- that the monies being requested are essential to protect the building and to protect the people who currently use the building and should not be put off a year;
- that DCCBC has concluded that the Caryl building should be a community center going forward, and in fact is already being used as such;
- making clear the connection between a vote for Article 11 – continuing to maintain the Caryl building – and approval of continuing to use Caryl as a community center and having the DCCBC continue its work.

Statements of support for Article 11 were requested from the Council on Aging and Park & Rec. The Committee also confirmed its previous plans for getting voters to Town Meeting.

Ford and Carol reported on their meeting with School Superintendent Valerie Spriggs and new Community Ed Director Stephanie Greenblatt regarding program and space needs at the Caryl building for the Child Development Center (CDC) and other Community Ed programs. It was noted that CDC enrollment is down for Sept.’09 from Sept.’08; the reasons are not clear. Dialogue will continue. Ultimately, this will be an issue for the Program Committee.

Ford asked Dave, Dick, Samantha and Jeff to begin work on the RFP for the next stage of DCCBC’s work. This will be the main agenda item at the next meeting on May 13, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Weld