

Dover Community Center Building Committee
Meeting of March 25, 2009
Minutes

Present: Samantha Burman, Jane Hemstreet, Alison Piper, Nancy Simms, Ford Spalding, Nancy Weinstein, Kathy Weld.

Chairman Ford Spalding called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The Minutes of March 11, 2009 were approved as amended.

Ford reported on his meeting with the Capital Budget Committee, that they were concerned about the additional monies being requested in Article 11, but not about the work and plans of the DCCBC for the Caryl building. He also reported that there had been no negative response to his presentation at the Warrant Committee's Open Hearing.

Committee members made suggestions for the presentation, in particular making sure that the link is clear and strong between the necessity of doing the work in Article 11 and the use of the Caryl building as our Dover Community Center.

In an effort to get voters out to Town Meeting, the Committee will use email lists to reach people, first with a "save-the-date" notice, followed by a reminder notice just before the meeting. In addition to our personal email lists, Nancy Simms will take Park & Rec; Jane Hemstreet will take COA; Samantha Burman will take Dover Mothers & Fathers Associations and will also ask Justine Kent Uritam to email her list. A babysitting pool is being organized in an effort to make it easier for young parents to get to Town Meeting.

The Committee also discussed ways to promote support for Article 11 at Town Meeting, such as having community center stakeholders (Park & Rec, COA, and others) make supporting statements, and having people ask questions that would enhance the presentation. Ford emphasized that DCCBC must make its support for Article 11 very clear to Capital Budget and Warrant Committees, both at the meeting and before.

Ford outlined the Committee's tasks going forward: drafting a new RFP for professional services to help with the master plan; and enlisting the full participation of Park & Rec in the process of developing specs for an athletic facility, and in researching the types of pre-fab buildings and their costs.

The next meeting will be April 22 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Weld, Acting Secretary