MOUNTAIN VIEWS SUPERVISORY UNION

MOUNTAIN VIEWS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regional Hub Build Working Group Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 30, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.
MVSU Central Office and via Zoom
Zoom Recording

1. **Call to order**
   - Chair: Seth Webb
   - Called to order at approximately 6:32 p.m.
   - Attendance (partial, per introductions and remarks):
     - Voting/working members: Seth Webb (Chair), Gina McAllister, Megan Landis, Sam Stockwell, Zach Niles, Kathy Dolan, Mikkel Forsthuber, Tim Reiter, Keri Bristow (joined late)
     - Staff: Sherry (Superintendent), Joe (Facilities Director), Jim Finn (CFO, referenced)
     - Architect: Lee Sherwood, Lavallee Brensinger Architects
     - Public attendees: Cliff Johnson, Jenny, Jason J., Bryce Samuel, Molly Burke Fryer, Lindsay Hyde, Marlena, Matt, Marc Weinstein, Mark Harris, Ben Ford

2. **Amendments to the Agenda**
   - None

3. **Proposed Regional Hub Building Plans**

   a. Background on 2024 design including review of the many steps/consideration made/taken before and after the ‘24 bond vote. This will include reviewing the: 2017 Existing Facilities Assessment, 2019 Master Plan Project; March 2024 Bond Vote Proposal and the June 2024 (post bond vote) alternatives.

      - Reviewed the 2017 Educational master plan with facilities assessment and site evaluation.

      - 2019-2021 Schematic Design: Focus on site development and Act 250 permitting feasibility.

      - 2022-2023 Design Development: High-level drawings ready for permitting, bond vote failed in 2024.

- Post-Bond Alternative Studies: Independent review confirmed renovation costs over $100M.

b. VT agency of Education Pre-Approval - current authorization and constraints

- Current Pre-Approved Design Details
  - Building capacity: 700 students (6th-12th grade), expandable to 1,050 with a third floor.
  - Total square footage: 163,583 SF (Vermont AOE approved).
  - Site constraints: Act 250 and river corridor restrictions limit ground footprint.
- Looking ahead:
  - Background: 2024 bond vote price: $99M total project cost for 600 students.
  - Architects estimated for a larger building in 2026, cost would have to factor in additional materials and inflation, likely increasing the total +/- 15%, which could be offset by a state match.
  - New state capital program expected to fund 20-30% of total costs.

c. Modification options for design to reduce costs, further integrate with the community/environment and, align with Act 73

- The Group reviewed the program, number of students, materials, roofing, landscaping and other elements to consider possibilities.

4. **Public Comment -** None
5. **Next steps & Meeting Schedule**
   - Further cost reduction analysis needed.
   - Community consensus building around regional hub concept.
   - Sam Stockwell volunteered for messaging document and FAQ development.
   - Regular committee meeting scheduled for one month from last Thursday.
6. **Adjourn**