MMRHS Building Committee: Exterior Design Subcommittee Meeting
Date: 2/7/2025
Time: 8am – 10am
Location: Virtual

Name	Email	Role	Attendance
Steve Shatz	stephenshatz@gmail.com	SBC/Subcommittee Member	Present
Ananda Timpane	ananda@rsyp.org	SBC/Subcommittee Member	Not present
Brian Kaplan	briankaplanarchitecture@gmail.com	Subcommittee Member	Present
Andrew Riley	andrewreilly@msn.com	Subcommittee Member	Present
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	sarahtonetti@gmail.com	Subcommittee Member	Not present
	Nick@nickfredsallelectric.com	Subcommittee Member	Not present
	rpwarner@riverfrontloftsri.com	Subcommittee Member	Not present
	realsparks@gmail.com	Subcommittee Member	Not present
Peter Dillon	peter.dillon@bhrsd.org	SBC Member/ Superintendent	Present
Steve Soule	steven.soule@bhrsd.org	SBC Member/ Director of Operations	Present
Donna DiNisco	d.dinisco@dinisco.com	Design Team – DiNisco	Present
Jeff Oxsalidad	j.oxsalida@dinisco.com	Design Team – DiNisco	Present
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Andy Jonic	ajonic@rawnarch.com	Design Team – WRA	Present
Nick Lobik	Nicholas.Lobik@skanska.com	OPM Team – Skanska	Present
Victoria Clifford	Victoria.Clifford@skanska.com	OPM Team – Skanska	Present

Introduction:

- The group gave introductions
- Overview of the site plan and project schedule
- Today's objective:
    - Discuss the overall feel and context of which the building will be designed
- Subcommittee role:
    - Review design and make recommendations to the Building Committee

Exterior Design Overview:

- The design team gave an overview of design inspiration
    - Architecture found in in the three towns
    - New high schools in the region – Wahconah and Taconic
- Palate proposed – brick and stone colored metal panel, glazing, sunshades,
- New energy code limiting glazing to 20% - need to balance sunlight, architectural
- Window patterns to be reviewed at next meeting
- Feedback:
    - Brian Kaplan:
        - Likes the approach of using materials already used in our communities
        - This is your entrance to Great Barrington – making sure this building has a presence
        - Recommend the piece popping out has its own identity with materials
        - Let's inspire students and choose modern materials
    - Andrew Riley:

        - Responded well to interior layout and separate bus stop
        - Would ask the design team to take reference from monument mountain – the natural materials
        - Would like to see a modern design
        - Of a place, but inspiring of the outside world
        - Recommended looking at shaker village for references
        - Feels like the design should stand on its own, not be in all the same language as the elementary and middle school – red brick can be exciting in certain applications
    - Steve Shatz:
        - Cautioned the group on how we talk about the design taste, traditionalist vs. modernists, and make sure we appeal to both for voting success
    - Andrew would prefer a more controlled palette of materials
    - Williams Mount Greylock – included brick at entry way where it is most impactful (seatwall) - group agreed with the idea of using more expensive materials sparingly at impactful locations.

New Business:

- Next meeting first week of march
- The agenda will be to review window study and potential palette development
- Skanska to follow up with a doodle poll to schedule

Meeting adjourned.