



Stuart-Hobson Middle School

MEETING MINUTES of the SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM (S.I.T.) MEETING
July 10, 2014

Attendees: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

Minutes Prepared By: Tom Henderson

Next SIT Meeting: Thursday September 11, 2014 at 6:30pm (Second Thursday of the Month).

There will be no August Meeting.

The following items were discussed:

- 1) **Project Schedule:** Joe Howell from Broughton Construction provided a project update that included progress on the new addition and existing building work for summer 2014 including the North Addition, Museum Atrium, Lower Level, windows, doors, roofing, and brick cleaning. **ACTION ITEM:** Broughton Construction will continue SIT Meeting updates.
- 2) **PowerPoint Presentation:** HGA presented the proposed North Area work site plan including the proposed dumpster location. Tom Henderson explained that the proposed improvements shown are only possible if all approvals from the ANC, DDOT, DPW, and DGS are received for the Street Parking proposal. The SIT and Community agreed that an alternative dumpster plan using smaller containers that would require a smaller truck for unloading would be the best solution. A smaller truck could allow the dumpster enclosure to be oriented facing north. It was discussed that taller netting of some kind be installed above the proposed chain link fencing to keep soccer balls from flying out of the rear yard. **ACTION ITEM:** DGS to follow up with DCPS regarding the possible use of smaller trash and recycling containers.
- 3) **Ongoing Project Issues:** **A)** Tom indicated that a redesign of the boiler flue system is completed and includes the addition of silencers and extension of the flue pipes to the top of the screen wall that will enclose the cooling tower. **B)** Vibration monitoring continues and the monthly reports do not indicate any measurable movement. **C)** Whiting Turner will be performing punch list work through approximately August 2014. Punch list completed June 24, 2014. **D)** It was discussed that the entrance exterior lights are meant to be on all night as a security measure, but should be turned off during the day (all entrances). It was also discussed that the DDOT requested street lighting change may give off more light to adjacent homes around the school block; Hughes Group and DGS will revisit this change with DDOT. **E)** Valerie questioned the wisdom of spending \$400,000 on Public Art for the project and Tom indicated that this was a DGS initiative that is very consistent with the Museum Science initiatives of the school. Tom said this initiative is not scheduled for implementation until summer 2015. **F)** It was noted by community members that after-hours noise was occurring which is not allowed under the after-hours permit obtained by Broughton Construction. Wilson acknowledged the noise and will coordinate deliveries earlier in the work day. Mark Eckenwiler suggested calling Eulis Cleckley from DDOT at 202-671-0682 for any Truck Routing violations. **ACTION ITEM:** Tom to follow-up on these items at the next SIT Meeting.
- 4) **Solar Power Demonstration Project:** No change. **ACTION ITEM:** DGS to follow-up with a previous demonstration project at Anne Beers ES.

- 5) **North Area Update:** ANC has approved the street parking submission for parking on E, 4th, and 5th Streets. See PowerPoint Presentation section above. **ACTION ITEM:** DGS to work with DDOT on the next steps for implementing the parking sign changes.
- 6) **DDOT Public Space Permitting:** Hughes Group has submitted Public Space work for the 3 sides of the existing building to DDOT and will be coordinating with the ANC; this submission does not include the North Area or dumpster area. Mark Eckenwiler stated that he would support Public Space Permitting for the large artificial turf field even when the field is on public space (the perimeter along 4th, 5th, and F Streets about 12ft from the property line to the existing chain link fence). DGS and Hughes Group have met with Matthew Marcou with DDOT and Matthew stated that the recreational field can stay within public space with approval by the Public Space Committee. **ACTION ITEM:** DGS and Hughes Group to continue with the public space permitting on the 3 sides of the existing school.

End of Minutes

The above information constitutes my understanding of the meeting on the date listed. If anyone has any additions or corrections, please contact me immediately. Any corrections will be added to the next set of meeting minutes. Thank you.