



TOWN OF GREENWICH

Old Greenwich School Building Committee
Student Information Forum
Monday, April 3, 2023
1:00 pm
Old Greenwich School Media Center

Meeting Notes

Committee Roster

Name	Present	Absent
Voting Members		
James Waters (Chair)	2:00pm	
Jackie Welsh (Vice Chair)	P	
Barbara O'Neill (Secretary)		A
Jason Brown		A
Cristina Dawson	P	
Leigh Erin Izzo	P	
Leander Krueger		A
Stephen Selbst (BET Rep)		A
Michael Joseph Mercanti-Anthony (BOE Rep)		A
Ex Officio Members		
Jennifer Bencivengo (Principal)	P	
Janet Stone McGuigan (BOS)		A
Molly Saleeby (RTM)	1:20pm	
John Vallerie (DPW)		A
Peter Lowe (P&Z)		A
Liaisons		
Peter Schweinfurth (Liaison, EMAC)	P	
Alan Gunzburg (Liaison, FSAC4PWD)	Zoom	
Project Team		
Amanda Cleveland (Silver Petrucelli & Associates)	P	
Guests		
Two Groups of OGS Students, K-2 and 3-5, 36 total students (names redacted for privacy)	P	

Agenda Item	TOPIC	Description
1.00	Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm. There were two separate sessions with students that followed the same agenda; information consolidated below
2.00	Welcome and introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal Bencivengo led the welcome and introductions. She spoke with the children, telling them the purpose of the meeting was to help the architects and OGSBC design the building by providing their input and asking questions Cristina Dawson introduced herself as a mother of two current students and member of the building committee; she introduced the building committee members present and Amanda Cleveland from SP&A
3.00	Discussion led by Silver Petrucelli & Associates	<p>Amanda Cleveland showed a short PowerPoint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is an architect? What we do New classrooms with more room for friends Accessibility, elevator, doors Flooding, plumbing Safety, secure entrance, and sprinklers What to expect during construction <p>Amanda led an activity where the students voted for the areas they were most concerned about with buttons. Amanda to total the results and report them to Principal Bencivengo</p>
4.00	Questions & Answers	<p>Amanda and Principal Bencivengo led a Q&A session for the students. Topics raised included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Playground accessibility and safety Plumbing washroom and hardware lock issues Sewage smell, automatic flush AC for gym Ventilation so they didn't need to open windows and wear coats and to keep out bugs Safety of the entry Elevators More space for stuff Chairs in the outdoor classroom space <p>Amanda thanked the kids for their input and asked if she and her architect friends could return when they had plans and models to show. This suggestion was received with enthusiasm</p>
5.00	Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:45pm motion to adjourn from Cristina Dawson, second from James Waters