

CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE  
SUB-COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

Thursday, October 5, 2023

\*\*\*Approved\*\*\* MINUTES

Sub-committee members present:

Clare Kilgallen\*, Laura Kostin\*, Tony Turner\*, Lauren Rabin

Absent: Nisha Arora\*

(\* – CMSBC voting member)

Others present: Stephanie Cowie (FSAC4PWD Liaison) and Michael Spilo (RTM Rep, ex-officio)

1. **Call the meeting to order** – Clare Kilgallen called the meeting to order at 3:55PM.

2. **Approve minutes from the September 7 and September 21, 2023, meetings** – A Motion was made by Clare Kilgallen and seconded by Laura Kostin to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved 3-0.

3. **Reassess future meeting day of week and times** – There was discussion about changing the meeting time to earlier in the day Thursdays so that the meetings could end before 3:00pm. Tony Turner suggested trying a 1:00 or 1:30pm start. The committee agreed. Clare took the action to communicate the discussion to Lauren Rabin and Nisha Arora.

4. **Author CMS BC statement to address any inaccuracies or material omissions, or both, in the Letters to the Editors to the Greenwich Time, CT Examiner and Greenwich Sentinel, and on social media from 9/25 - 9/29.**

The committee reviewed the draft letter (postdated October 10<sup>th</sup>) and collaborated on revisions.

a. A motion was made by Tony Turner and seconded by Laura Kostin to approve the draft letter. The letter was approved 3-0.

b. Clare Kilgallen took the action to circulate the approved draft to the sub-committee.

5. **Discuss how to best communicate the motion that passed on RTM Liaison to the various RTM entities.** – Deferred

6. **Other**

a. There was discussion on responses to two e-mails from the public sent in September. One was resolved and responded to in-person. The other presented multiple considerations that the sub-committee suggested that portions be referred to the Board of Education and Greenwich Public Schools.

i. This raised a discussion regarding the circumstances of the February 2022 closure of CMS and student experiences during the time when the exigent repairs were made and how that was communicated to the student and school community.

7. **Adjourn** – A Motion was made by Tony Turner and seconded by Laura Kostin to adjourn. The meeting adjourned without objection at 5:13PM