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SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
 SHERMAN, CONNECTICUT 06784
EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - FEBRUARY 13, 2023
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER & ZOOM
10:00 AM

An Educational Specifications Committee meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Laughlin at 10:02 AM on February 13, 2023.

1. PRESENT

For the Board:	Mr. Laughlin, Mr. Philipakos (via Phone), Mrs. Febbraio, and Mrs. Grasseler (10:45 AM)
Administration:	Dr. Cosentino, Dr. Fernand, and Dr. Fildes
Guests:	Mike Lassaso (Antinozzi and Associates), Fran DiFiore (CSG)

2. DISCUSSION

Discussion took place regarding the draft Educational Specifications compiled by CSG through individual interviews conducted with faculty and staff. It was noted that the purpose of interviews was to identify the programmatic needs of each stakeholder or stakeholder group from their specific perspective.

Discussion also took place regarding current and future educational program needs, enrollment, and costs associated with repair and renovation. A review of ways to identify efficiencies that could reduce the overall square feet required to effectuate the educational program took place. Importantly, discussion about programmatic synergies, adjacencies, and other creative space planning concepts that could enhance the overall educational program and associated student learning outcomes were also reviewed.

Discussion then turned to the potential use of the K-Wing and the need to ensure health and safety concerns were appropriately addressed, inclusive of the likely need for removal of building sections where the costs of remediation would be significant and areas of concern could be difficult to definitively address. Planning options were further reviewed with feedback provided to architectural and planning team members being utilized to fully craft preliminary space planning options based on further refinements to the draft Educational Specifications.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Laughlin
 Chair, Educational Specifications Committee
 Sherman Board of Education