Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2009

Members present: Anne Shannon, Margaret Bailey, Dave Beinetti, Tom Dooley, Bill Lane, Mary Tichenor, Ian McNabb, Charlie Johnson, Blake Held

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm.

Public Comment

None.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was approved with no additional discussion items.

Approval of Minutes

Tom motioned to approve, Bill seconded. All in favor; none opposed.

Facility Committee Update

Ian met with HBT this afternoon in preparation for the upcoming community input design sessions on March 28 and April 4. Laurie expects 30-40 people at the first session and more for the second session.

Charlie Johnson offered to scribe on March 28. Anne Shannon, Margaret Bailey, Blake Held and Tom Dooley offered to scribe on April 4. Charlie will contact Facilities and Development Committee members about their availability to scribe on March 28.

Communications Update

An email communication about the input sessions was sent today to all committee members. Everyone is encouraged to forward it to friends, neighbors, other residents, etc. to spread the word.

Charlie gave an update on the kick-off meeting of the Groundbreaking Ceremony

Committee comprised of representatives of the Friends and Board of Trustees, Laurie, Charlie and Paula. The ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 20 at 1:00 pm at the barn. Ian has requested Main Street be closed off for one hour during this event.

Development Committee Update

Dave suggested Ian and a few other key participants, including another Town Board member, have a teleconference with Library Strategies to discuss all the facts, concerns, and financial constraints associated with hiring a firm to run a capital campaign, and ask them the questions that keep circulating in discussion. This could provide details requested by the Town Board for them to make a decision about hiring this firm.

Margaret referenced the story behind the origin of the original library—a limited number of families came together and each donated a set amount of money to build it, during the Depression—and suggested we use this story to generate financial support for the new library.

Update Timeline

Tom had no timeline to present at this meeting, but said this should be an agenda item at each Steering Committee meeting.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be Tuesday, April 14 at 7 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Paula McIntyre