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**Groton-Dunstable Regional School District
BUILDING COMMITTEE
January 15, 2019**

Meeting minute - Building Committee - Groton-Dunstable Regional School District
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Present: Laura Chesson (Superintendent of Schools), Marlena Gilbert (School Committee Chair), Alison Manugian (Representative of Groton Selectboard), Mark Haddad (town manager Groton), Brian O'Donoghue (principal of Florence Roche), Luke Callahan (Director of Technology), Michael Knight (Business Manager), Lorraine Leonard (COA rep), Ryan McClane (Dunstable rep from School Committee), and Adria Fischer (Dunstable rep Finance Advisory Board).

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Fay Raynor. Members of committee introduced themselves including their skill sets and experience.

Fay Raynor reviewed how a building gets built including players, process, and phasing.

OPM RFS Update was given including next sub-committee meeting date.

Dr. Chesson presented a draft of the possible options for rebuild or renovation including possible grade configurations which may or may not impact Groton and Dunstable students.

Based on on historical data from the MSBA regarding cost per square footage, allowance for fixtures, furniture, and equipment and technology, and square footage allowance per student as per the MSBA certified enrollment projection a very high level cost of construction in today's dollars was discussed. The cost is currently estimated (at very high level, with many assumed variables) at \$61 - \$65 Million for a new building. No estimates for renovation were available at this time. This estimate assumes 641 grades K - 4 students in a brand new building. There are many options, which if adopted, could reduce the enrollment which would reduce the square footage which could reduce the cost; grade reconfigurations which would reduce the square footage which could reduce the cost; or options for renovation as opposed to rebuild which may also reduce the cost.

The overall draft for the project schedule was reviewed. This schedule will be revised when the OPM is hired and possibly again when the designer is hired.

Next meeting dates were verified.

Meeting was adjourned.