

Saugus School Building Assessment Committee Meeting Minutes
prepared by Brian Mirasolo

Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2004

Location: Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central St., Saugus, MA

Meeting convened: 7:39 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 9:18 p.m.

Seven members of the SSBAC, Vice-Chairman William Bean, Edward Carlson, Wendy Carpenito, Christopher Luongo, Brian Mirasolo, Kevin Nigro, and Louis Rossi, were present for the meeting. Chairman Roger Sacilotto, and Steve Agganis were not present.

- The committee first conducted a brief review of the minutes from the October 27, 2004 meeting. The minutes from the October 27, 2004 SSBAC meeting were unanimously approved after review.
- Vice-Chairman Bean led the SSBAC in a discussion about possible methods of conducting the research needed to carry out the committee's charge. Specific areas of research the committee should focus on were also discussed. Committee members agreed that crafting a questionnaire for members of the school system and the public would be one good source of collecting data and getting the townspeople involved. Other possible areas of focus discussed were financial aspects facing the town (current revenue, future revenue, potential revenue sources); the cost of school building/renovation projects; the new state SBA guidelines; site considerations; grant opportunities; and other ways of getting the community involved.
- Members then engaged in more open discussion about potential land sites. Before adjourning, Brian Mirasolo agreed to contact Town Manager Andrew R. Bisignani about obtaining a list of recent school maintenance costs, Kevin Nigro agreed to research the old SBA guidelines, and Lou Rossi agreed to obtain copies of recent school building maintenance and operation budgets. The SSBAC also agreed to next meet on Thursday, November 18, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.