

Playground Subcommittee
1/23/20 Minutes

Present: Sarah Rogers, Kim Jordan, Heidi Plante, Jeanie Doughty, Adelaida Gaviria, Jeanne Baker Stinson, Nate Hintze, Sashie Misner, Tracy Peck-Moad, Shawn Lambert

The meeting began at 4:00 pm.

Sashie Misner presented the layout plans for the three Kate Furbish Elementary School playgrounds. Sashie reported that the plans were approximately 75% completed. During the presentation, subcommittee members asked clarifying questions and Sashie requested feedback and direction regarding certain features and items. One issue discussed was whether certain items such as a ring of boulders and some memorial benches would be relocated from Coffin to Furbish. Another issue was which structures might be donated by area contractors. Tracy took notes and she and Jeanne B would research these issues.

The group discussed the timeline of the project. Sashie planned to have layout plans by the third week in February and would send the project out to bid at the end of February. To facilitate this, she needed to know which structures would be donated and which would be included in the bid request.

Landscaping was discussed. Sashie anticipated planting to happen in late summer. Shawn expressed that the Brunswick Maine Bicentennial Committee was interested in planting three trees. Rick Wilson had already discussed this with Steve C. Shawn will connect with them and with Scott Smith about this.

Subcommittee members discussed whether it would be beneficial to have volunteers do the planting; Sashie suspected the contractor selected to do the landscaping may not appreciate a group of volunteers. Landscaping maintenance was also discussed. Care should be taken to protect the young plants in the first winter. Also, facilities staff should be trained in pruning and maintenance of this type of playground.

The meeting ended at 5:10 pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for 2/24/20 at 4 pm in the Hawthorne Conference Room.