

March 16 2016 -----PE/Athletics Subcommittee

In attendance: Jack Rioux, Matt Cook, Blair Kopp, Athletic Director Geoff Godo, Pam Leduc (Topsham Parks and Rec) , David Johnson, Jr (chair), David Hammond, Lyndon Keck, PDT Architects, Krista Chase

Lyndon presented an update on building construction. We reviewed placement of fields. Lyndon asked for a memo on improvements necessary for current softball field. We will lose track and field, baseball and field hockey fields. We are asking for a new baseball field and three multisport fields.

All weather track 1, 281, 726.00. FAT track with lights, light foundation, all surface.

Grass competition field inside track: 409,00.00 includes storm drainage, sod, irrigation.

Baseball field: 301.355.00. No dugouts, no bleachers, no batting cage. Field only!

Turf: additional 623,717.00. Add 18% for engineering, contingency.

Project cost for the turf 736,000.

Still need costs for additional competition fields.

Reviewed our language around our recommendation to support artificial turf. This committee feels strongly about turf, as privately fundraised.

As we begin to bring our current committee work to a close, we appreciate what has been supported with the additional gym space. In addition, we feel compelled to let the building committee understand our drive to privately fundraise for artificial turf.

From Lyndon: if you're going to do turf, now is the time to do it. The pre-work is being done. With the project cost projected at 736,000. If we wait, the cost will increase to 1.2, 1.4 million if we do this 5 years down the road. This is real incentive to consider this NOW. 3 years from now, we will get the latest generation of technology associated with installing a turf field.

To do:

- Geoff will check with other AD's about the benefits to installing turf fields.
- Dave will work with Chris Shaw, facilities director to come up with a list of potential cost savings associated with turf. (lining, mowing, watering, surfacing)
- Lyndon will get field costs for the three additional fields

Our committee encourages a turf field be considered a top priority in private fundraising efforts.

The committee will meet on March 30th 2016 to prepare a presentation for the building committee to include health/injury advantages, disadvantages, ways in which turf supports educational opportunities.

Next meeting: March 30 2016 5-7 pm

Lyndon suggested having a top turf installer come and present to our committee. Lyndon will email David with contact information.

Next Steps: visits to model schools to tour gym, fields, locker rooms, training, coaching, officials rooms and other areas associated with athletics. Falmouth, Scarborough, Cony, Mt. Blue