Present:

C. Schroeder – Friends of Baseball (FOB) and DS Boosters

C. Graham – Regional School Committee (RSC)

D. White – RSC and DS Boosters

A. Hill – DS Soccer

O. Stocks - DS Soccer

J. Forman – FOB and DS Softball

J. Parcells – DS Athletic Director

T. Scurrah – FOB

S. Ryan – DSHS Baseball Coach/Teacher

D. Pastore – DSYLacrosse (Boys)

C. Hendricks – DSHS Grounds

B. Scatchard – DS Boosters

L. Phelan – DS Boosters

W. Wood – DS Boosters

K. Marken – DS Boosters

C. Hall – DS Boosters

S. Muckstadt – DS Boosters

C. Robbins – DS Boosters

R. Mallett – DS Boosters

* **Review of Original Phase II History – B. Scatchard**
  + Original Master Phase I and II plan produced by Gale Associates
  + Currently 82% of DSHS students participate in athletics; 27 sports and 43 teams
  + Regional School Committee accepts or denies any modifications to DS Regional School Fields
    - Phase I of original plan was accepted by RSC if project was funded privately (1.1M)
    - Cost estimate of original Phase I and Phase II combined was 2.7M.
    - Phase I was completed with private funding and construction was managed by DS Boosters without the requirements for prevailing wage. Currently, any future projects would be required to adhere to prevailing wage guidelines.
* **Athletic Director’s Presentation of Athletic Field Upgrade/Modifications** (J. Parcells)
  + Reviewed Field Use at HS (see attached Phase II – Athletic Facilities Project dated 2/1/16)
    - Current hourly field usage study included in packet
  + **Phase II – Farm Street Baseball/Softball/Turf Field/Tennis Court Complex**
    - AD meeting held with Gale Associates to discuss new revised Farm St plan.
    - Based upon meeting, Gale developed a revised schematic plan for Farm Street Phase II plan.
      * 138,000sf turf field/baseball complex adjacent to Farm St/student parking
      * New softball field
      * New JV baseball field
      * New additional tennis court adjacent to existing four courts.
      * Design eliminates field encroachment on conservation zone.
      * Budget Estimate for Revised Phase II Farm St Complex is currently at 2.3 million, with additional $100K in soft costs.
    - Question and answer session held for attendees
      * Concern that reduction in two available fields on Farm Street to one would be an issue.
        + Spring season requires two lax game fields at times (four lax teams Girl’s/Boy’s V/JV). Stadium is one. Proposed Farm St turf field would not be available. Baseball complex would be utilized full time by Baseball V/JV teams. Currently there are two grass fields on Farm Street. One is used as a spring game field.
    - Youth organizations shared their interest in supporting another turf field at the regional campus but would need some guarantee to access to solidify their involvement.”
* **Design Revisions Recommended based upon meeting feedback**
  + Move existing tennis courts to Junction Street Field and add additional court to bring total court count to no less than five.
  + Build additional playing field where tennis courts currently exist. Questions remains as to whether regulation field would fit.
  + Stadium Lighting upgrades to low energy LED, allow for more lighting usage. Zoning regulations would need to be reviewed.
  + J. Parcells to forward recommendations to Gale for their incorporation into schematic design.

**Respectfully submitted by Ruth Mallett**