

Name of Committee: Override Study Committee – School Programs Task Force

Meeting Date: April 16, 2014 Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Town Hall, Room 310

Members Present:

X	Beth Jackson Stram (Chair)	X	Lisa Serafin Sheehan
X	Jim Stergios	X	Timothy Sullivan

Others Present: Susan Ditkoff (OSC Co-Chair), Rebecca Stone (School Committee)

Agenda:

- Minutes
- Review full draft reports pertaining to issues of past PSB budget trends, class size, school assignment, non-classroom supports, personnel costs, EWL, HS Tutorial, technology
- Other new business / next steps

Minutes:

- Discussed most recent draft report out of class size. Focused on capturing information provided by PSB in latest meeting regarding the school assignment process and how it affects PSB flexibility to manage class size. Also discussed how to treat conflicting views in the external research on class size.
- Beth provided an update on the progress of the PSB budget and financial model. Task force reviewed input provided by the OSC Capital Subcommittee on how to handle capital costs in the model. Specifically, the group discussed proposed “trigger points” for the number of classrooms that would need to be reduced in order for the model to indicate that a capital project may not be required. The group agreed that Driscoll would be the only capital project included in the model.
- Lisa and Tim agreed to confirm with the OSC Capital Subcommittee and that group would prepare a memo advising on the logic to use in the financial model.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.