TO:

School Committee

FROM

Emily Parks, Superintendent

DATE:

April 4, 2019

RE:

MSBA Project Update

The process of hiring an Owner's Project Manager (OPM) continues:

- The ad was placed in the Central Register, Hometown Weekly, and Boston Globe for OPM services.
- The OPM RFS was finalized with MSBA and released. All necessary documents are posted on the town's website under "Procurement."
- The School Building Committee (SBC) subcommittee will be meeting on April 11th to prepare for the OPM interviews at the end of April.

In addition, Maya Plotkin (SC), Mike Jaillett (Town Administrator), Ken Aries (Director of Operations), Tom Philbin (Energy Manager) and I met with a Kim Cullinane, a Senior Energy Efficiency Consultant from Eversource, to discuss their Accelerated Performance initiative. Through this program, Eversource assists school districts in establishing energy efficiency targets in the RFS for design services with the goal of ultimately having a building that optimizes energy use. This was a only preliminary conversation to understand the program as we are obviously at the very beginning of our process. However, the conversation was helpful and clarified the importance of identifying and establishing targets early in a building project in order to achieve the best outcomes. This will be an important issue to discuss at the next full SBC meeting in May.

Finally, based on the SC vote at its March 26th meeting, we submitted the changes to the SBC membership to MSBA for approval.