



Parent Update

Vision 2018

May 5, 2016

Greetings OLM Community! Here is the latest news from the Vision Committee:

Sisters of Mercy Update

We are pleased to report that members of our Vision 2018 committee have recently met with leadership from the Sisters of Mercy at their regional headquarters in Cumberland, Rhode Island.

The Vision Committee representatives were warmly received by the Sisters' Leadership and our committee members have reported a very positive meeting where it was made clear that we have a committed partner in the Sisters in our efforts to maintain catholic education on the shoreline.

We presented our current relocation options and the Sisters were quite pleased to see our progress on the options we have established thus far.

We can report to you that the current school property has not been sold at this time and it is currently not for sale. The Sisters of Mercy have articulated a desire to see this property remain a spiritual center for their order.

As a result of this meeting, and the positive rapport established, the Sisters of Mercy and the vision committee have agreed to ongoing communications and additional meetings to further discuss our progress and the ways in which we can help each other meet our respective goals.

Work Stream Update

149 Neck Road Option (Cliff Bechtold, team lead)

- A market valuation report was received from the Geenty Group and Kristen Geenty presented her report to the Vision Committee at our April 25th meeting. The report provides a monetary valuation of the 40.1 acre property currently owned by the Sisters of Mercy as well as a valuation for the front 7.9 acres upon which OLM currently sits. Two more appraisals will be attained and an average market valuation for the property will be established.

Alternate Madison Location (Mara Dowler, team lead)

- Madison public school buildings continue to be a viable alternative for OLM. Madison town officials are expected to finalize their plans to vacate one or more buildings in the next 6 weeks. Vision Committee representatives will work with Madison officials to identify the steps necessary to bring this option to realization over the following months.

Regional School Option (Michael Greene, team lead)

- A local architecture firm has provided a timeline for building a new school. Securing the land necessary to build, including in the form of private donation, is being investigated.

Other News

Margaux Selfors was presented with the Young Inventor Award at the Connecticut State Invention Convention on Saturday April 30th; Macklin Baldassaro, Julia Coric, and Damian Bianchi also represented OLM at the State level Invention Convention held in Storrs. The Mock Trial team was greeted by Governor Dannel Malloy at the State Capitol, recognized at the CT Supreme Court, and introduced on the Floor of the CT General Assembly on Law Day, May 2, 2016
- Vision Committee

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