

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
MINUTES  
JULY 17, 2007**

Members Present: Brown, Castell, Hughes, Greene, Groppa, Lawrence, Macdonald

Staff Present: Keating

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1. ARB #16-2007  
Innovative Invitations, 154 Heights Road, DC Zone.  
The applicant was not present. The board asked Dave Keating to send a letter to the applicant suggesting they hire an awning maker to supply dimensioned drawings and color samples with their application.

2. Request to amend ARB #39-2006  
Darren Library, 1441 Boston Post Road, MU Zone.  
Francis Craine, AIA architect, Louise Berry Library Director, and Alan Grey Assistant Library Director  
As part of an effort to obtain a LEED gold certification, the library is requesting the addition of a vestibule to the Boston Post Road façade of the building. The previously unenclosed entry projected 7'2" with two columns and the new projection of enclosed and unenclosed areas will extend (7'2" plus 7'2") for a total of 14'4." The metal of the enclosure's glazing will be a medium bronze color or a neutral grey to match the windows in the body of the building. The columns will be painted to match the windows. The ARB supported the amendment.

Bricks and mortar were also presented. The lighter "field" brick is Glengary 53DD Special Sand Mix with mortar color G302. The darker "accent" brick is Cushwa Shenandoah Redland 115 with mortar color G206. The board expressed a concern regarding a perceived lack of color variation in the field brick and the darkness of the accent brick as well as the darkness of the colors of the mortar selections. There was a concern that the overall effect was too somber and dark and that the building should appear lighter and more cheerful. Mr. Craine asked the board to view the mock up of the brick and mortar on site before making a judgment. The board made a date to view the mock up Thursday morning, July 19. In any event, the board asked Dave to request another mock up with lighter mortar.

3. ARB #17-2007  
Darren Professional Building, 106 Noroton Avenue, OB Zone.  
Jacek Bigosinski, architect  
The applicant is proposing an addition of approximately 8,000 square feet to the rear of the building. The proposal includes the addition of an elevator and handicap access to the building. The metal panels and the overhanging roof on the existing building will be removed. The windows will be wood painted white. The entire structure will be surfaced with a "limestone like" Dryvit. The board approved the design.

However, Mr. Bigosinski proposed the color "Amarillo White" for the Dryvit. The board expressed concern with the shade (greenish) of the color and asked that a larger sample be submitted in a sandy limestone color for approval.

4. ARB #18-2007

SBD Kitchens, 1472 Boston Post Road  
Sarah Blank and Charles Blank, Owners

The applicants are proposing to add a new roof with pediment and make changes to the façade. The new design is inspired by Monticello and will feature a brick veneer in a Flemish bond in varied colors as indicated by a sample submitted. The board asked that the mortar space be reduced and made to appear more authentic a though it had been troweled. A suggestion was made to set the “foundation” slightly forward of the existing façade in line with the bottom of the window sills and top of the porch base. In that regard, the owner expressed a concern regarding coverage regulations and Dave stated P&Z would most likely follow the ARB’s recommendation. The windows will show a full casing on the exterior and all shutters will have black hinge hardware to make them appear operable. The application for the renovation and new façade was approved.

The signage will be resubmitted with a new post for the hanging sign including the street number on the post. The wall signs may have larger lettering (up to 10”) and approval for a flagpole may be requested at that time.

5. Approval of Minutes of June 19, 2007

Minutes were not submitted and therefore not acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Macdonald