

**College Place Public Schools
Special School Board Meeting
7:00 PM, Meadow Brook School Library
Thursday, November 30, 2006**



MINUTES for Thursday, November 30, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Paul Hartwig, John Davin, Ginger Ketting-Weller, and Julie Hill

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS – Bob Giger

OTHERS PRESENT – Superintendent Tim Payne, Alison Swanson as Recorder, Special Programs Director Carol Garbe, and several audience members

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hartwig called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

INTRODUCTIONS &/or INFORMATION

- **Next Regular Meeting** –Mr. Hartwig announced that the next regular meeting of the Board will be Thursday, December 21, 2006 @ 7:00 PM in the Meadow Brook School Library.

ACTION ITEMS

- **BOND** - Final two topics of the proposed K-8 Meadow Brook/Sager Bond project: debt structure and timeline

Walla Walla Public Schools - Confirmed to run a single issue Bond for Edison Elementary School on February 6, 2007. Superintendent Payne stated WWPS is running their Bond in February because it is the most successful time to run a bond; making February and March key dates.

Bond Co-Chair w/ Marcie Knauft – None was found. Mr. Payne said he would assist.

Open Discussion on Timeline – Chairman Hartwig open the discussion for a Bond timeline. Mrs. Hill and Mr. Davin were concerned about running our Bond in February 2007 with WWPS, as all the facts/info. would need to be sent out by January 18, 2007 for mail-in ballots, a very short amount of time to properly prepare.

Dr. Ketting Weller asked Bond Co-Chair Mrs. Knauft her opinion on the timeline. Mrs. Knauft stated that this was her first Bond and she will make happen whatever the Board decides.

Mr. Knauft asked the cost difference (savings) in running the bond with WWPS and asked about the May 2007 timeframe. Mr. Hartwig stated that on a \$25 million bond, the saving costs were minimal.

Mr. Hartwig presented these questions to the Board of Directors, “What is our ultimate objective for College Place Public Schools? Do we feel we want a High School as part of our long range goal? We must address our K-8 facility as much as possible. Our goal is to take care of the K-8, but is there another option that we could explore as a possibility? I support what we are doing, but I would like to explore the potential to buy land and do both in a short amount of time.”

Mr. Davin supported Mr. Hartwig’s thoughts by saying, “I received feedback from public...most still feel we are limiting our potential combining all campuses to the Meadow Brook/Sager location. Is there a

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potential for a future High School? Is this the best thing we can do? Across the street is commercial zoned property...we have tried to come up with every option, however this week another option has become available. We need to do the best thing we can for our future.”

New Land Potential - Chairman Hartwig and Mr. Davin stated that in the last 24 hours they were approached with a new land concept option. They felt the entire Board needed to visit about this confidential information prior to finalizing the current bond project.

The final two topics of the proposed K-8 Meadow Brook/Sager Bond project, debt structure and timeline, were tabled by the School Board. The Board of Directors will meet in executive session to discuss land on Monday, December 4, 2006 at 8:00pm in the Sager Middle School Library.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- No suggestions were made.

ADJOURNMENT

DR. KETTING-WELLER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN; MRS. HILL SECONDED THE MOTION; PASSING UNANIMOUSLY, PAUL HARTWIG ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:37 PM.

Secretary to the Board

Chairman of the Board