

FACILITIES, GROUNDS AND CLASSROOM COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008, 3:30 P.M.,
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mike Chatterton called the meeting to order at 3:30pm and welcomed everyone.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Present were Kevin Lupton; Architectural/Mechanical Design Teacher at WRHS, Howie Royal; Director of Buildings and Grounds, Mike Chatterton; Business Manager, John Gaeddert; Land Planning and Management, Brian Bennett; LEED Certified Rep Vital Spec, Craig Berry; Director of Environmental Resource Center, Lonnie Barber; Assistant Superintendent, Jim Lewis; Superintendent, Larry Barnes; Science Teacher.

III. DISCUSSION ON COMMITTEE PURPOSE – MIKE CHATTERTON

Mike Chatterton explained the background of the committee and the Strategic Planning Process through which it came about. Committees were developed for each of the 10 Goals of the Strategic Plan. The Facilities, Grounds and Classroom Committee is Goal number 9 which states: Our Facilities, grounds and classrooms promote sustainability and provide for optimal learning.

IV. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL – LEED CERTIFICATION – HOWIE ROYAL

Howie explained the four part process starting with a detailed Request for Qualifications, a technical audit and hiring process, implementation and a commission on buildings in the future and/or re-commission on existing buildings. Part of the RFQ selection will include mechanical, structural, HVAC, lighting, electrical, etc. There are two samples from McKinstry found in the Design-Build Construction Manual.

Brian Bennett stated that testing and verification procedures should be included in the RFQ and suggested looking at Energy Star in the existing buildings and working towards LEED certified in the newer buildings. The committee is looking at a RFQ deadline within the next month for School Board approval at the Regular School Board meeting in November.

Mike will put together a six month timeline for the next meeting.

V. BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ENROLLMENT NUMBERS – MIKE CHATTERTON

Mike gave a presentation on projected student growth in the next 9 years based on the average of 2.41% over the last 28 years. According to the projections, our Middle School will exceed building capacity in 2012-13 and our elementary schools will exceed capacity in 2015-16. This committee will need to decide if a Middle School or Elementary school makes

sense to build first. Mike will have the principals review and verify the enrollment numbers before the next meeting in order to solidify his projections.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

John Gaeddert suggested addressing the issue of the current format of the schools; K-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Larry Barnes suggested looking at our existing grounds and moving towards a more “green” environment with less grass and a more natural dryscape.

VII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be October 15, 2008 from 3:30p-5:00. Location TBD.