

Mendocino Unified School District
K-8 Design Committee Agenda
Tuesday March 14th, 2006 3:45 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order

1.1. Roll Call:

Committee members Deena Zarlin, Tom Birdsell, Charlie Acker, Gloria Liner, Nancy Gardner, Eric Hillesland, Pat Nordquist, Kelly Grimes, Bronwyn Rhoades, Mark Morton. Also present were Christiana and Steve Heckerth.

1.2. Approval of Agenda

There was no change to the agenda

1.3. Public Hearing - Parent/Community

There was no public comment

2. Reports

2.1. District facilities planning update

Superintendent Pat Nordquist explained that the district is waiting on a requested summary report from Mark Quattrocchi defining any additional costs, completion date, etc. for the multipurpose room. He emphasized the need to develop a conceptual foundation as we move forward with district facilities which can then be used in developing the presentation of the bond. There was some discussion about expanding the core committee or the design committee to become a district wide committee with broader representation.

2.2. Wetlands report

The committee received a draft wetlands report which indicated a negative declaration.

2.3. Enrollment

Pat shared that there could be some potential changes in the rural schools that may slightly impact planning to the K-8 program here in town. That decision would of course be based on data and the financial feasibility.

2.4. Cost explanations

There had been some previous questions about cost estimates that appeared to be higher for particular structures. Pat explained that the explanation was based on the amount of special equipment in those structures: electrical equipment, phones, computer lines, etc,

3. Development of facilities needs and priorities for the K-8 school

The committee discussed the need to keep the facility as energy efficient. It was pointed out that based upon the decision to utilize existing buildings to the degree possible, roof lines etc. could not necessarily change. There is certainly time however to refine the design between now and the bond election. The committee needs to continue prioritizing aspects of the design, recognizing that it may not be a "decision making" process, but still can, and needs to still be looked at. The next meeting needs to clearly focus on priorities, but not as a single agenda item. Pat asked that everyone give some thought to what they consider to be the primary issue that needs to be explained to the public relative to the bond language. The committee needs to continue to be informed as to the core committees work and ideas

The meeting adjourned at 5:10, with the date of the next meeting being scheduled the week of March 27th or April 3rd, 2006.