

## **BANKS SCHOOL DISTRICT 13.**

Board of Directors – Work Session

450 S. Main Banks, OR

October 13, 2008 5:30 PM

District Conference Room

Present: Doug Nordholm, Duane Lundsten, Angi Duyck, Kathy Edison  
Marv Ott, Superintendent, Simon Levear, Marlo Mosser, Secretary

### Bond Discussion

Mr. Ott reported that there was a strategy meeting of the PAC last Monday. He reported the group strategized concerning the upcoming election. Mr. Ott said ballots are out this week, and starting today backpack flyers will be sent home with students concerning the upcoming election. Mr. Ott said that for the upcoming teacher conferences there will be a letter on every teacher's desk concerning the upcoming bond election. He reported the PAC will be sending out postcards reminding everyone to vote, and tours of the facilities will be available this upcoming Thursday. He said that phone calls are still being made, and the reported "yes" voters are being urged to make sure they vote. Mr. Ott said that Scott Rose of DLR group has been extremely helpful in the process. Mr. Ott said that the district cannot promote the election, but can provide factual information. Mr. Ott reported the teacher's group has donated \$200 to the PAC. Mr. Ott reported that Rick Rainone and Scott Rose will be meeting this week to discuss classroom size. Mr. Lundsten asked when the master plan is scheduled to be finished according to the timeframe. Mr. Ott said that it is being worked on, and that it will include future expansion considerations. Mr. Moore said that during the charette the participants dissected the different proposals in depth, and felt that after the second meeting, the group supported the learning plaza concept, which does allow for future growth. Mr. Ott said that the administration building is kept in this outline, and parking will allow for separation from busing lanes. He said that concern was discussed on taking up PE space. The board discussed the hiring of a construction/project manager to become involved after the passing of the bond. The board directed the superintendent to discuss with Mr. Rainone the possible hiring of a construction consultant, and if he felt someone from his company would be able to fulfill this need for the district. Mr. Ott discussed that after passage of the bond, Seattle Northwest will advise the district on the timing of the bond sale.

### Softball Storage Facility

Mr. Ott discussed the fire in the softball storage facility. He reported that last Saturday there was a fire in the softball shed – the actual cause of the fire has yet to be determined. Mr. Ott said that the softball advisor is reporting a cost of the materials in the shed to be \$9300. The district had insurance on the shed in the amount of \$7500, with a \$1000 content coverage. Mr. Levear said that the district does not have a breakdown of the items in the shed that were community softball equipment versus district equipment, and the expectation of a group using district facilities to maintain insurance. He said that district will need to determine their perceived responsibility in this matter. Mr. Nordholm said that without a contract, he felt the district would be ultimately responsible, and that a compromise between the softball group and district would be the best course of action. Board consensus was for Mr. Ott and Mr. Levear to sit down with the softball advisor and negotiate a settlement, with the consideration of district perspective and replacement value. He advised that future groups storing items in district buildings should have an agreement (contract) whereby the district is not liable for the group's property. He said that Amy Hanson could help with this. Mr. Levear said this ties to the discussion of separate legal entity. Board consensus was for Mr. Levear to research the legal status of groups that are not part of the Banks School District.

Board consensus was to hold an executive session at the end of the regular board meeting to discuss negotiations.

Mr. Levear asked the status of the construction excise tax. Mr. Ott said that the city was still working on the wording. He said he would follow up with Mr. Huff.

Mr. Moore asked if Mr. Ott would follow up with Sherwood School District concerning the next step in the hiring of a construction consultant. Mr. Moore said that he has heard favorable responses to the passing of the bond. Mr. Ott said that there is no apparent opposition to the bond.

Mr. Lundsten asked about the status of the school mascot issue. Mr. Ott said that the item is under consideration by the Superintendent of Public Schools, and no comment has been made at this time. The board discussed the possibility of honoring Native Americans in some manner in the new facility.

Mr. Ott said that he was handing out information concerning a proposed band trip to Victoria, BC. He said this is informational only, the group will be fundraising for the trip. Mr. Ott said the expense of transportation is not a reimbursable expense.

Mr. Nordholm asked about the use of a taxi service instead of Shafers for transportation. Mr. Ott said the student has moved out of district, and is no longer using the service.

The Board adjourned the work session at 6:50 PM.

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Duane Lundsten, Chairman

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Marlo Mosser, Secretary

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Date approved by Board