

**MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP SESSION OF THE
CANBY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 3, 2005

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Guy Gibson called the Workshop Session for the Canby School District Board of Directors to order at 6:33pm on March 3, 2005, at Canby High School, Applied Technology Center. Board members in attendance were Chair Gibson, Dr. Mike Harms, Rod Beck, Charlie Stinson, Sandy Ricksger, Dick Adams and Marty McCullough. Also in attendance were Superintendent Deborah Sommer, Karen Carroll, David Moore, Debbie Pearson, Doug Gingerich, Heinz Rudolf, Bill Harper, Dennis Burke, Pat Johnson, Joe Morelock, Randy Carson, Matt Madeira, Lou Bailey, Scott Enyart and Emilio Ortiz. Tina Skiles, Carol Meeuwsen, Joel Sebastian and Jennifer Turner joined meeting in progress.

Canby High School Master Plan Development: Heinz Rudolf and Bill Harper shared the high school master plan for the athletic fields.

Doug Gingerich explained the maintenance shed, funded from the last bond issue, was originally for tractor storage, but the program no longer exists. The shed will now be used for storage of furniture, drama department and/or GAP (graduation all-night party) storage. The conex boxes would then be removed.

Baseball Complex: Dennis Burke said the baseball clubhouse includes a team room, a training room, restrooms and improves storage. Issues for access and fees for use and maintenance need to be addressed. Future discussion will take place with the City regarding the impact of the expansion of Berg Parkway and the loss of off street parking.

Bill said the batting cage is just inches from a neighbor's property and is in violation of set back codes. It should be moved five feet out to be in compliance.

Model Classroom: Heinz shared a temporary model classroom would be placed on the Douglas Street property for about three months. The building would simulate a classroom in the new middle school and tests would be conducted on lighting and ventilation. Students could observe the testing and there would be a lab to take readings. Pat Johnson said the building construction class would work on the project next fall.

Possible options for the property, valued at \$100,000 per Darren Nichols at the city planning department, would be to sell it, have the construction class build a house on it or use as parking. Bill shared if the property is used for parking, it would need to be paved. If parking is not desired, placement of bollards would prevent parking but would allow pedestrian access. Bill will provide a list of Douglas Street property issues and their financial impact in future.

Debbie Pearson will write a letter to the City acknowledging we are out of compliance with the conditional use permit issued in 1999 and will provide a plan for future use/compliance.

Canby Kids Proposal for All Weather Soccer Field: Matt Madeira presented a proposal for an all weather turf, or "fake grass", soccer field at the new middle school property. He said the turf would be able to handle all weather conditions, there would be no mud, no wear as with a grass field, and would have a ten year minimum life span. He said fields are in high demand in

tournament situations and tournaments economically help communities. Matt said installation of a field costs \$750,000 to over a million dollars, but there is a lot of grant money available for youth soccer. Canby Kids would like to have the turf installed but then “give” it to the school district.

Deborah said the district would move forward with grading and irrigation for grass fields as planned. After approval from the Board, Canby Kids would proceed with raising funds which would take several years, then the district would revisit the project when all funds have been raised. Heinz said drainage would need to be considered with construction/planning. Matt said the new middle school location was considered for the all weather turf since the fields will be larger than at Canby High.

There was consensus by the Board of the concept of this project. It was suggested an exit strategy for when fields wear out and need to be disposed of be included in any future agreements.

Bond Update: Deborah explained the city planning department reviewed the new middle school plans at their February 28 meeting. Although a year and a half was spent on planning with the city, there were lots of questions and concerns by the commission. There will be a follow up meeting on March 14. Deborah provided an outline for her presentation which will include history, scope and our relationship with the city. The greatest dilemma from the meeting was a request for increased parking for sporting events/field usage. There was consensus by the Board to have Deborah state we have met the code requirements and we will move forward as proposed, or we can't have fields. None of the options offered was viable.

Doug Gingerich provided a report from Eyman Equipment, Inc. on options for watering the landscape and fields at the new middle school. Doug said after exploring the options, drilling our own well would be the most cost effective. He noted the use of “city” water during September and October 2005, could be an option unless the city set possible drought restrictions. Doug will keep the Board informed as we move forward.

Alternative Bidding Process: David Moore provided information on the 2004 Capital Bond Improvement Projects for the new middle school. He said a resolution authorizing a Request for Proposal process to select a contract for the project would be presented at the March 15 Board meeting. The Board, as the Local Contract Review Board, would exempt the 2004 Capital Bond Improvement Project for a New Middle School – Site Improvement and building Improvement Packages from the low competitive bid process and instead use a Request for Proposal competitive procurement process to select a contractor for the project.

Athletics Participation Update: Dennis Burke shared Canby High athletic/activities participation to date. A total of 1484 students, or 60% of the student body, have participated so far this year. Students involved in extra-curricular activities maintain a 3.44 GPA. Dennis said 7-8 events had 4000+ attendees and 20 events had 1500-2000.

Dennis also oversees Studies Table, an opportunity for any student in extra-curricular activities in danger of failing, to get extra help.

School Improvement: Presentation moved to the April 7 workshop.

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

- 2.1 Fiber Proposal:** Joe Morelock provided information on fiber optic network services and recommended a contract be awarded to Canby Telephone Association. He said CTA's proposal fit the model we were looking at and was priced at what we could afford. He noted the resolution was for upfront costs.

MOTION: Sandy Ricksger moved to adopt the Resolution awarding the fiber optic network services contract to Canby Telephone Association as presented and seconded by Dr. Mike Harms. Joe confirmed that the upfront costs were from eRate funds. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2.2 Employee Contract Renewals:** Employee contract renewals for the Superintendent and Confidential/Supervisory employees were presented.

MOTION: Rod Beck moved to adopt the employee contract renewals for the Superintendent and Confidential/Supervisory employees as submitted in addendum 2.2. Seconded by Sandy Ricksger, motion carried unanimously.

- 2.3 2nd Reading – Board Policies**
2.3.1 DBEA, Budget Committee
2.3.2 FF, Naming Facilities

MOTION: Rod Beck moved to accept the second reading of Board policies DBEA, Budget Committee, and FF, Naming Facilities. Seconded by Sandy Ricksger, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 9:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Carroll
Board Secretary

Richard H. Adams
Vice Chair

Date: March 15, 2005