

Holton USD #336
Board of Education – Special Meeting at HMS Commons Area
April 4, 2005, 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Roger Heckerson, Jim Chamberlain, Alan Bagby, Keith Eubanks, Brent Nelson, Mark Pruett, Joni White

Members Absent:

Others Present: Brad Rahe, Jo Krogman, Alan Beam, Jay D. Nelson, Lisa Baumgartner, Jennifer Berges, Cindy Bontrager, Steven Bowser, Connie Colson, David Ent, Heather Ent, Rita Ent, Carly Fletcher, Susan Foster, Keith Gilliland, Tad Hernandez, Sharon Karns, Gary Kelly, Jason Larison, Katrenia Luthi, Orin Marshall, Russ McKinney, Scott Misenhelter, Sarah Phillips, David Powls, Joe Schneider, Sherry Slimmer, Marvin Stous, Paula Taylor.

President Heckerson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the committees for all their efforts and hard work. He then called upon Joe Schneider for the Elementary Committee report.

Joe Schneider shared a handout and brief report covering the Elementary committee findings. He thanked all those members that participated on the Elementary committee for their time, ideas and noted it had been a good process. The committee was in agreement that additional space was needed. Noting that it was how the space was needing to be used more than student numbers. One committee recommendation was to move Pre-K through 1st grade to Central; 2nd through 5th grade to Colorado school, convert current Colorado cafeteria/gym into media center, principals office to computer room, install adequate restrooms during renovation; acquire city block west of Colorado (with exception of property on corner of 5th and Colorado); acquired area would be used to build additional classrooms, new kitchen facilities, music room, principals office, nurse's office, gymnasium and parking. Another recommendation was to build new K-5 facility on acquired property West of town. The committee also recommended various options for paying for plans which included performance contracts, issuing bonds, using Capital Outlay and/or LOB funds.

Katrenia Luthi presented a powerpoint presentation for the Middle School recommendations. The committee prioritized their recommendations based upon enhancing the student learning environment. Their recommendations include: converting downstairs media center, adding windows to downstairs, remodel or relocate kitchen, renovate current building classrooms, upgrade heating and air, convert tennis area to parking, burying power lines, and a 28,000 sq. ft addition to the South side of existing building for additional classrooms, principals office, and to allow for future growth.

Steve Bowser reported on the High School committees recommendations noting that their priorities were a little different since the High School has recently been renovated and updated. Their recommendations were to relocate Ag Science and Industrial Tech classrooms to new building, move weight room to vacated Ag Science location, Broadcast media to vacated weight room and use vacated Industrial Tech for special needs students. This would free up a couple of classrooms for additional math and science rooms. This would require replacement of greenhouse and concession and restroom areas. Secondly, to construct a two story addition for band and music on the North side and East of the current auditorium. This vacated space could be used for IDL labs, nurse's office and additional classrooms. Lastly, for safety and liability issues to move the North fence on the football field, expand bleachers approximately 20 yards on both ends and to expand the press box.

President Heckerson thanked all for their presentations and hard work. He noted that the board would be reviewing the recommendations and that the matter was on the agenda for the next regular board meeting on Monday, April 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the district office. He then adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes as recorded by:

Juanita (Jo) Krogman
Clerk, Holton USD 336