

NAC Meeting

March 11, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Principal's Report (Nell Ballard-Jones, Brad Malloy, David Larson): School redevelopment discussion. The idea of shifting start and end times for Northstar to alleviate parking and transportation issues for the high school is being considered. Metro schedules should still work for schedule changes since the main runs that serve the high school have more runs within ½ an hour of the runs currently being used.

Teacher's Report (Bob Herold): Encourage kids to use web grader to track progress. Parents can use it to try to track their kid's progress. There are classes showing up that kids are not taking and some other issues. The district is aware of most problems and is working on them. Please let Connie know if there are any very strange things on web grader for your child.

Field Trip (France Giddings): Trying to set up a trip to the Seattle Art Museum for March 28th. So far the museum has not responded. The April tour of the International District is scheduled for April 11th. The end of year field trip is still in the works. Considering Washington Park in Portland with the zoo and the science center. Still working on logistics and possibilities for other activities. France would really like someone to help her out with field trips for the remainder of the year.

Ski Bus: Trips done for the year. Great group of kids and thanks to the chaperones.

Landscaping committee: An email went out about clip and cleans. Our first is coming on March 15th. We will start digging up and potting plants then. If you are a gardener, feel free to start marking plants for potting.

New Business: David Larson presented the redevelopment plan. Showed plans and made a short presentation for the \$99 million project. Part of the project criteria is to give the new school an identity for Northstar as well as LWHS. Northstar will take up about 3 rows of parking in the south end of the west parking lot. They will be situated to create a small courtyard area and an outdoor play area. It will be fenced between the school and the parking. The parking lot will be expanded some to the north.

The new school, Northstar will be on the south west end of the campus and driveway will be in the same place it is now off 75th. The school is being planned for about 1000 students but the permit allows for a future addition to the north side of the gym to allow for future growth. Northstar will have 5 classrooms, office area, teacher office areas and a shared instructional area. There should be room for all 90 kids to sit down. Parking for the school is 7-8 spaces. For events we will have to park in the high school lot.

There will not be a field available for football etc during lunch times. There will be a sport court available for basket ball, hockey etc.

The transitional school will have much better lighting because the parking lot where we will be has a lot of lighting and a couple more will be added.

Conference Week: Looking for someone to shadow this year to take over next year. Meeting for June conference week Friday 1:30 at the 85th Street Starbucks. Looking for ideas for classes or field trip ideas.

Adjourned at 8:30 pm

District team stayed to answer questions.