WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING February 6, 2013 1:00 pm

<u>Committee Members</u> Kevin Hill, Chair Susan Evans, Vice Chair Jim Martin Studio <u>Board Members</u> Christine Kushner <u>Staff</u> Dr. Stephen Gainey Joe Desormeaux Brian Conklin Christina Lighthall Larry Sherrill Laura Evans <u>Guest</u> Mr. Crockett, Principal, Athens Drive HS Athens Drive HS Booster Club K.C. Underwood, AIA, REFP, Principal –Anegram Glenn Medlin, Project Manager at CLH

Chair, Mr. Kevin Hill called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. The agenda is included with the following items for discussion.

Approve the Facilities Committee meeting minutes from October 10, 2012 meeting: Chair Hill called for approval of the minutes which were approved unanimously by the Committee.

Presentation on recommendations from a Master planning effort conducted on Athens Drive Stadium: Mr. Joe Desormeaux, Assistant Superintendent for Facilities led the presentation for the recommendations from a Master planning effort conducted on Athens Drive HS. In a PowerPoint presentation given by K. C. Underwood, the committee was briefed with three alternatives which included the football field, lighting, additional parking and handicap spaces. These alternatives were referenced as "School Alternative, estimated at \$9.3 million; the "School/City Alternative", estimated at \$4.3 million; and the "City Alternative", estimated at \$4.4 million. Members of the Athens HS booster club were in attendance and expressed their preference for the least expensive option. The discussion from the committee and staff agreed the second option was considered to be the best option cost-wise. This was a discussion for the Facilities Committee meeting as no recommendations were made. The intent was to provide info to board members to help understand the potential scope of the project.

Discussion on next steps for a proposal performance contract (ESCO): Joe Desormeaux updated the committee on the current performance contract. Mr. Desormeaux went over the history of what has happen so far, and then proceeded to give an update if directed by committee what would happen if the board decided to proceed. Mr. Desormeaux mentioned in Mr. David Neter, Chief Finance Officer's absence his concern about the school system assuming liability. Mr. Hill mentioned a concern about the development of a resolution stating the Wake County Board of Commissioners would have to commit to not reducing the WCPSS's utility budget. Mr. Desormeaux stated that this would have to be a requirement of the Board of Commissioners. It was proposed that with the current bond discussions and meetings, that the committee and staff come back to discuss this item in a month or two, based on the outcome of the meetings between the two boards.

Discussion on use of the remaining startup design funds in CIP 2006 for two elementary schools or one middle school: Staff presented 2012-13 Annual School Campus Capacities (ASCC) Percentage Crowding maps and 2012-13 Long Range School Campus Capacities (LRSCC) Percentage Crowding maps that afforded a county-wide view of current school crowding by level. Staff also presented priority rankings of the February updated circle maps, highlighting what school sites have been acquired to facilitate design. Joe Desormeaux pointed out potential timely solutions to be realized for elementary and middle school needs. Several pros and cons were discussed regarding proceeding with the design of the M-8 middle school (to open 2016) verses two additional elementary schools (to open 2015) with the remaining startup funds. Staff will bring a recommendation to the full board on Feb 19th.

The committee decided that based on some conflicts with other meetings that the Facilities Committee would now meet on the second Wednesdays of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2013

Chair Hill adjourned the meeting at 2:27 pm. Joe Desormeaux sent the attached email after the meeting to clarify the status of design funds and the M8 site.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kevin Hill - Chair, Facilities Committee

Joe Desormeaux, Assistant Superintendent for Facilities

Jan Bunn, Recording Secretary

Keith A. Sutton, Board Chair