



WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session

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SUBJECT/TOPIC

CONSIDERATION OF NAME CHANGE FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL IN APEX:
CURRENTLY WEST APEX HIGH (H-10)

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BACKGROUND

On May 13, 2011, the Board of Education acquired approximately 108.46 acres for use for multiple school uses to include a high school in the H-10 target area, with a high school scheduled to open in 2015. Naming of the new high school facility was requested at the November 1, 2011 meeting, when the following names were presented to the Board for its consideration (1) West Apex High (2) Beaver Creek High, (3) Friendship High and (4) Humie Olive Road High. Staff presented a recommendation from the Town of Apex. After some discussion, the Board approved West Apex High as the H-10 school name.

In response to a public comment regarding the reconsideration of naming H-10 from members of the Friendship Community and Town of Apex elected officials, the Board discussed the matter at its work session on April 9, 2013. After discussions between the Board and interested parties in furtherance of compromise, the Town of Apex considered the matter at its Town Council meeting on April 16, 2013, and passed a resolution offering for compromise and consideration the name "Apex Friendship High School." Members of the Friendship Community also reconsidered and responded with its preference of the name "Friendship High School."

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

SAVINGS

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Board direction is requested.

