

ENTIAT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 127

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Facilities Study Committee Minutes December 10, 2008

Attending: Lori Anderson, Jim Brooks, Miles Caples, Diane Grover, Keith Vradenburg, Randy Whitehall, Mike Wyant

1. Study and Survey information

Entiat is eligible for funding for a study and survey, according to Gary Miller. Mr. Miller is Eastern Washington regional coordinator for OSPI's School Construction Assistance Program.

We submitted our application for funds for the study survey on 1/7/09. The district is eligible for about \$6,000 for the process (formula is \$4,000 base plus .3 cents per square foot of building).

Mike talked again with Gary Miller about selecting an architect firm to do the study and survey. He suggested again that we look at Forte Architects out of Wenatchee since they are local and they work with schools in our region. Mike talked by phone with Tom Bassett from Forte. Forte is presently engaged in the study and survey process with Waterville, Wenatchee and Omak School Districts. Forte conducts the study and survey process for whatever the amount of the grant is. Tom Bassett would be able to attend our committee meeting on January 28 if we would like to talk directly with him about the how his firm would conduct the study and survey process.

2. Property

The committee considered the possibility of the district acquiring property. The committee directed Mike to take the necessary preliminary steps necessary to help the board have sufficient information to weigh the possibility.

Mike contacted local realtor Jackie Blanchfield for recommendations on appraisers. She recommended two with Apex Appraisal (Kris Ness) being her first recommendation. Mike talked with Ms. Ness and she is both able and certified to conduct the appraisals. We need appraisals on the residential property and on the district's vacant lot that we discussed at the meeting.

Mike initiated contact with the Wenatchee office of the Bureau of Land Management regarding the process for acquiring BLM land for the district.

3. Other / Next meeting date and time

The next Facilities Study Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28 at 4:00 p.m. in the Home Economics room.