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Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (TAC) ~ Draft

Friday, April 3, 2015
9:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Fife School District – Classroom
5802 20th St E., Fife, WA 98424

Attendees

TAC Committee Members: Carter Bagg, Nancy Bernard, Greg Brown, Bill Chaput, Joel Davis, David Huffman, Kas Kinkead, Fred Long, Eric Meng, Steve Murakami, Ed Simpson, Kasey Wyatt

OSPI Staff: Kim Beaulieu, Gordon Beck, Tom Carver, Nancy Johns, Randy Newman

Welcome and Approval of the February 6 Meeting Minutes, Kas Kinkead, Chair
Kas called for an approval of the February 6 meeting minutes. Attendees approved.

Director and Staff Reports

Modulars vs. Portables, Tom Carver, OSPI
See Handout

Tom provided a guidance document to the committee. The document is to help foster consistency in decision-making as to whether a building is permanent or portable. Four sections of the document include: definitions; district inventory and eligibility; basic procedure; and examples of modular construction classifications.

Question:
If a school district has a modular that is 30 years old and wants it recognized as permanent this year, would they be eligible for new-in-lieu next year? Answer: Potentially yes, if they meet the criteria. OSPI ultimately has discretionary decision following the guidelines in the document.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Update, Gordon Beck, OSPI

Scott Black is now heading PDM. PDM is essentially three steps: Statewide assessment of natural hazard risks; develop and pilot the toolkit; conduct a benefit-cost analysis on approximately 10 districts’ projects.

Emergency Repair Pool, Gordon Beck, OSPI

Two more projects have recently been funded: South Bend School District needed assistance in meeting the deductible for insurance; Methow Valley needs assistance for a glycol leak and chiller replacement (OFM approved this project on April 6).
Previous approvals went to Davenport for boiler failures, Colville for chiller replacement, and Pateros for damages caused by wildfire.

**Questions:**

- Does the pending bill renew this grant? Answer: yes.
- How much of the grant has been spent to date? Answer: About 1.5 million

**Legislative Update,** Randy Newman and Gordon Beck, OSPI

*See Handouts*

Randy provided a handout, highlighting six bills that are active and pertain to school facilities. Additional handouts were provided regarding SB 6080; a very complicated bill. Randy and Gordon walked through the highlights of this bill, as well as provided analysis and recommended changes to the bill.

**Comments:**

- Striking out the word verified in SB 6080 may create skepticism among supporters of the bill, this could damage any potential to accept other recommended changes.
- Concern expressed over SB 6080 passing. (Being a voice at hearings can really make a difference.)

Another handout provided a comparison between the Superintendent’s 2015-17 Capital Budget request, the Governor’s request, and the House request. Of concern is the zero funding for K-3 class size reduction, zero funding from the House for Study and Survey, and severely reduced funding for Vocational Skills Centers from the House.

A final handout provided an overview of the 2015-17 Biennium Capital Budget between the Superintendent and the House and the policy concerns associated with the House request.

**Comments:**

- Concern addressed over Study and Survey shifting to WSU Energy; would create multi-agency involvement.

**Annual Collection of Building Data,** Tom Carver, OSPI

Tom did a brief walk through in ICOS on the Annual Collection of Building Data to show how districts will input their information. One new addition: asking districts if they are using Energy Star Portfolio Manager.

**Comments:**

- Concern addressed over the potential for the star rating to not match the building assessment rating.

*Action Item: Link to last years’ annual survey.*
**WSSP Final 2015**, Nancy Johns, OSPI

*See PowerPoint*

Nancy walked through the highlights of the WSSP final. The release date is April 15, 2015. The new release will apply to all state-funded projects with D4 approval after July 1, 2015. TAC recommended moving forward with the 2015 edition as written.

*Action Item: Send link to PowerPoint.*

**Early Learning**, Bob Butts, OSPI; Page Meyer, Kent School District; Nicole Rose, Dept. of Early Learning; Barb Sattler, Central Valley SD; Debra Fulton, Mukilteo SD

*See PowerPoint*

Bob and Nicole walked through a brief PowerPoint, providing an overview of school district facility needs for ECEAP and all-day kindergarten.

*Discussion Included:*

- Concern the legislature is not as supportive on the capital side as they are on the operating side.
- The districts on the panel discussed their individual challenges with housing pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students.
- Concern addressed that pre-kindergarten students aren’t counted in the district population totals, yet they occupy space.
- Pre-kindergarten provides kids with the best opportunity for success; funding is vital for future achievement.
- Future discussions with the TAC committee may be of benefit to the ECEAP program.

*Action Item 1: Send link to:* [Investing in Our Future: The Evidence Base on Preschool Education](#)

*Action Item 2: Send link to:* [Early Childhood Design Conference Presentations](#)

*Meeting Adjourned: 12:40 p.m.*