Welcome and Approval of October 24, 2014 Minutes, Brian Carter, Vice-Chair
Brian called for an approval of the October 24 meeting minutes. Attendees approved.

Director and Staff Reports
School Facility Design Safety Guidance, Scott Black, OSPI
See Handout

The 2013 Legislature passed SSB 5197 which amended RCW 28A.335, requiring districts to consider certain design features when constructing or modernizing schools (see the School Facility Design Safety Guidance Document) whether the project is locally or state funded.

The requirements to consider the design features of the guidance document for all new construction or modernization projects has been added to the requirements of the D-4 and D-5 forms for all state funded projects.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Update, Robert Dengel, OSPI
The report on statewide impact of natural disasters was finalized. Currently, we are working with the districts who are part of the pilot project to develop their own mitigation plans. We are also working with the ESD’s to build up their level of expertise so they can assist all districts, once the pilot project is complete, to help develop their own plans.
Wood Pellet Pilot Program, Nancy Johns, OSPI

*See Handout*

Nancy gave a brief update of the Wood Pellet Pilot Program (K–12 Densified Biomass Demonstration Project). The Department of Commerce’s Capital Budget had a $500,000 appropriation to be used to identify two WA State schools who qualified, and were interested in, switching out their propane or fuel oil heating source to wood pellets. The two districts chosen are: Tekoa High School & Darrington Junior/Senior High School.

PCB Chemical Action Plan, Nancy Johns, OSPI

Nancy, along with the Department of Ecology, participated in a discussion with the House Environment Committee regarding PCBs, Nancy was brought in to discuss lamp ballasts in schools. OSPI was asked to participate because a) the #1 recommendation of the PCB CAP is to “identify PCB-containing lamp ballasts in schools and other public buildings. Encourage replacement with more energy-efficient PCB-free fixtures” and b) PCB lamp-ballast removal goes hand-in-hand with OSPI Energy Grant Program.

*Action Item:* Provide a link to the DOE PCB CAP Report

WSSP Update, Nancy Johns, OSPI

Nancy gave a brief overview on the current status of the 2015 WSSP. The minimum point requirements have reverted back to the same as WSSP 2010. The alternate options for superior energy performance that were added early in the update process have been removed. There will be 1 comment period: February 12–March 6. The target release date is April 17, 2015.

*Comments Included:*

- The WSSP committee stands behind the document as a whole.
- The length of time it took to update the WSSP was due to the amount of time the committee needed to complete the various research needed.
- Important for the TAC committee to become familiar with WSSP. Much of the WSSP is driven by code; it’s good to be informed on what’s going on.

Emergency Repair Grant, Scott Black

Scott discussed both the school district projects that have been granted funding from the Emergency Repair Pool and the districts that have applied for the grant and were denied by the Office of Financial Management (OFM). There are a couple of districts that are currently in the process of developing project information that may lead to a request for approval of funding from OFM.

*Questions Included:*

- Why does OFM have jurisdiction over these funds? Answer: There were some in the legislature who disagreed with the type of projects that were funded in the last small repair grant release
Budget Comparison & Legislative Update, Randy Newman, OSPI

See Handouts

Randy provided a budget comparison between the Superintendent’s request and the Governor’s proposal, as well as discussed the high priority Bills (Apple-a-Day program, Education Reform/Facilities, SCAP, School District Bonds/Voting).

Discussion Included:

- $10 million allocated by the governor for All Day Kindergarten. This amount would provide about 30 new classrooms, when 1500 are needed.
- Randy thanked Paula Ackerland with Ocosta School District, Steve Murakami with Tacoma Public Schools, and Mike Laverty with North Thurston Public Schools for their participation in the Senate Ways and Means K–12 Work Session.
- All Day Kindergarten and I-1351 Class Size Reduction would require $3.8 billion.
- SCAP needs to be funded at the maintenance level.
- The prioritization process creates problems for districts when passing bonds.
- All School Construction Assistance Projects (SCAP) have been fully funded since 1998.
  - Most districts do not count on state funding when going out for a bond election, because the state portion is not guaranteed and is reliant on legislature fully funding SCAP projects.

Action Item: Randy will email a monthly update of the bills.

SCAP Website Changes, Brenda Hetland and Tom Carver, OSPI

Brenda and Tom walked through the website changes. Encouraged TAC members to go through the website on their own time and to make any recommendations for further changes/improvements.

SCAP Documents, Tom Carver, OSPI

Tom discussed future updates to the Summary Handbook and brochure. Changes will include: ICOS, APP and Building Conditions, and the Annual Survey.

Discussion Included:

- Launch of the 2nd Annual Survey planned for April

Action Item: School Construction Assistance Summary Handbook and SCAP Folio
Hydration Stations in Schools, Vic Colman, Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition

*See PowerPoint Presentation*

Vic gave a presentation on providing hydration stations in schools. Water access to students = good for students’ health and academic achievement. The goal is to reduce the amount of sugary beverages consumed by children (and adults).

**Discussion Included:**

- Brief history about the Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition.
  - 8 years in existence.
  - 50 Organizations
  - Focus is on policy and systems changes at federal, state, and local levels that make the healthier choice the easier choice.
- WA State currently has no specific policies related to drinking water in schools.

**Comments Included:**

- With all new construction, water filling stations seem to be the standard.
- If districts can accrue a point in WSSP by installing water filling stations, this would be a great inclusion.

*Meeting Adjourned: 12:00 p.m.*