

April 1, 2008 at 6:00pm
School Growth Committee Meeting

Call to Order

Public Comment

New Business

Work on needs assessment.

Adjournment

Special Meeting of Trustees, Gallatin Gateway School District #35

Date: April 1, 2008

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: Gallatin Gateway School Superintendent's Office

Members Present:

Committee Members Present: Nikki Robbins
Terry Threlkeld
Sandra Hart
Kim DeBruycker, Superintendent
Doug Marshall
Don Hargrove
Ann Prescott

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm

Nikki Robbins handed out the updated needs assessment spreadsheet and explained that the group would be working on projections of square footage needed for increasing enrollment. Terry Threlkeld helped fill in a few more square footages that were missing from the spread sheet.

Doug Marshall expressed that he thought that the needs assessment that the group was working on was too detailed. Much discussion took place as to why the group was doing this needs assessment and how it would be beneficial to the school for planning for future enrollment as well as giving the county specific information as to how our school would be impacted if a development was proposed in the Gallatin Gateway District.

Doug Marshall expressed concern that we were doing this needs assessment yet there were no signs that this area would grow. There was much discussion on this topic. The group agreed that growth is inevitable and that the group is trying to prepare for the growth instead of merely reacting to it.

The group began making projections for these areas of the school with increasing enrollment: Core Classroom Areas, Performing and Fine Arts Areas, Academic support Areas, P.E./Athletic Areas, Building Services Areas, and Administration Areas. The group decided that the school could function up to 185 students at its current condition, with band aiding arising problems. At 186+ students the school would need to increase its Performing and Fine Arts Areas, P.E./Athletic Areas, Academic Support Areas and Lunch Room/ Food services Areas. At 226+ students the school would need to double the Core Classroom Areas, Building Services Areas and the Administration Areas.

Kim DeBruycker reiterated the idea of setting an enrollment level where the school would no longer accept out of district students.

The group would discuss playground and parking spaces at the next meeting.

The group agreed to meet again on Tuesday April 22, 2008 at 7pm.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm