

School Advisory Committee
April 30, 2008

Meeting Minutes

Member Attendance: Todd Bowland, Laurie Gillmore, Neal Howes, Joe McCourt,

Vice Chairman McCourt Called the Meeting to Order

Agenda Changes: Howes made motion to add Item C related to Signs and School Safety to the Agenda under Other Business. McCourt seconded. Approved.

Agenda unanimously approved.

A. The main issue up for discussion was the School Advisory Committee's position on the schools by right issue. The vote on the issue was against requiring the special use permit for schools. Most of the debate centered on having more control, but the feeling of the group was to let the TIA work to address traffic generated by the schools and see if that covers it before re-considering the Special Use Permit option.

C. An agenda item related to school signs and safety was added. Howes made a recommendation that all schools should have flashing lights above the road in front of their schools, or at a minimum have flashing ground mounted signs (the hope was to have them in place by next school year.) McCourt seconded. The motion carried.

B. Presentation of Huntersville School System Concept to Board was not discussed as Commissioner Jeter was absent due to a conflict. The group has asked Commissioner Jeter to share the report with the Committee at the next meeting.

Closing Comments

For next time, a request was made to put an item on the agenda for discussion on ways to help schools eliminate/reduce drug use (and ask SAC members to think of ideas/strategies before next meeting) and share them with CMS. All were in agreement that this was a good idea.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28th at 7:30 a.m.

Howes made motion to adjourn, McCourt seconded. Adjourned.