

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, November 15, 2006

SUBJECT: Public Schools Architectural/Engineering Resolutions

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment 1 – Memo and Resolutions from Public School System

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Per the joint meeting of the Board of Commissioners and Board of Education on Wednesday, November 8th, the Board asked that the Schools' request for architectural and engineering funding be discussed at this regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Attached are the cover letter and resolutions executed by the Board of Education requesting funding for these planning fees.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff recommends that the Board of Commissioners discuss the Board of Education request and authorize staff to act upon this issue as directed.

Suggested Motion:

I move that staff be directed to _____.

Board of Public Education

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October 10, 2006

 **COPY**

Mr. William L. (Bill) Moyer, Chairman
Henderson County Board of Commissioners
100 North King Street
Hendersonville, NC 28791

RE: Construction Projects

Dear Bill:

The Henderson County Board of Public Education met on Monday, October 9, 2006, and adopted three resolutions (*copies attached*) concerning construction projects at Dana Elementary, Mills River Elementary and Hillandale Elementary Schools. Authorization by the Henderson County Board of Commissioners to proceed with architectural design work must take place soon in order for these projects to meet critical timelines. Therefore, the School Board is requesting that these items be placed on the Commission's next meeting agenda.

Attached is an updated "CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE" (*dated October 10, 2006*) regarding the Dana Elementary, Mills River Elementary and Hillandale Elementary projects, as well as the Balfour Education Center Automotive Technology Lab and the Sugarloaf Elementary School project. The construction timeline was revised based on input received from the architect designated for each project. The architects have provided tentative construction cost estimates that are subject to change. (*See attached estimates for Dana Phase II, Mills River, Hillandale, and Sugarloaf.*) The estimate for the Mills River project is based on \$158.00 per square foot, and the estimate for the Hillandale project is based on \$160.00 per square foot. Both estimates include an expanded core area.

We are actively pursuing some form of construction value engineering and possible construction management. The Superintendent has issued a Request for Proposal (R.F.P.) to several construction management providers, including Construction Control Corporation. After reviewing the responses, staff will make a recommendation concerning each of the above-referenced projects, and we will share our decision with the Commission in a timely manner. Additionally, we have been informed by the architect for the Mills River project that the athletic fields will fit on the present site with the retention of the 1974 and 1984 buildings.

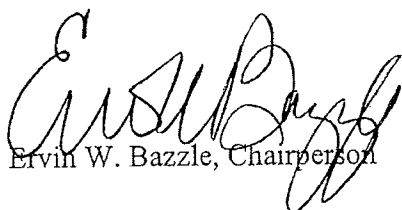
As I indicated to you in my e-mail yesterday, we had anticipated that the Sugarloaf Elementary School project would be completed in time for school opening in August 2007; however, because of significant rainfall at the site during the summer, the school will not be ready for occupancy as previously planned. We are optimistic that the Balfour Education Center Automotive Technology Lab will come online in December 2006, making it available for student occupancy in January 2007.

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The Henderson County Board of Public Education requests a meeting of either the Joint Facilities Committee or a joint meeting of the County Commission and School Board to discuss future school construction needs. Updated pupil growth information and adjusted school capacity data will be available soon, and copies will be provided to the Commission and County staff prior to the meeting. We look forward to having this discussion, so we can all move forward in a positive manner for the benefit of our children and community.

Sincerely,

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION



Ervin W. Bazzle, Chairperson

EWB:bc

Attachments

c: ✓ Steven D. Wyatt, Henderson County Manager
Members, Henderson County Board of Public Education
Stephen L. Page, Ed. D., Superintendent
Christopher Z. Campbell, Legal Counsel, HCBPE
Senior Staff, HCPS

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM THEIR
COMMITMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF
~~PHASE II RENOVATIONS~~
AT DANA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO PROCEED WITH ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES AND BIDDING

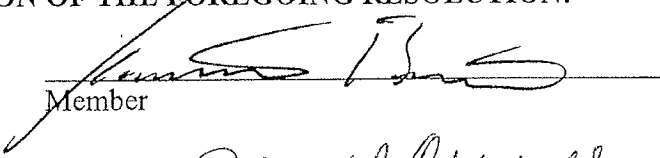
WHEREAS, a critical need exists for renovations to the presently existing Dana Elementary School following the completion of Phase I construction on the site; and

WHEREAS, The Henderson County Board of Public Education (the "Board") is committed to the completion of the renovations at the earliest possible date.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of Education requests that the Board of Commissioners approve payment for architectural services for the project including bidding from funding which will be made available by the Board of Commissioners to the Board of Education.
2. The Chairman and Superintendent are directed to provide copies of this Resolution to the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, each Commissioner, the County Manager, and the County Finance Officer.
3. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.


I MOVE THE ADOPTION OF THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION:

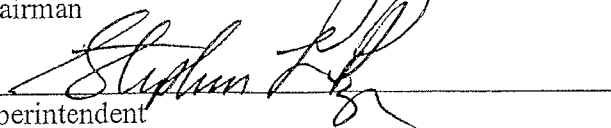

Member

SECONDED BY:


Member

READ, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS
9th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2006.


Chairman


Superintendent

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM THEIR
COMMITMENT TO NEW CONSTRUCTION
AT HILLANDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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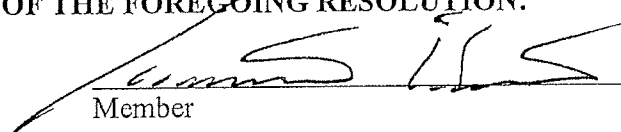
WHEREAS, a critical need exists for the construction of additions to the presently existing Hillandale Elementary School site; and

WHEREAS, The Henderson County Board of Public Education (the "Board") is committed to seeking funding for the construction, proceeding immediately with contracts for the design, and beginning construction at the earliest possible date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

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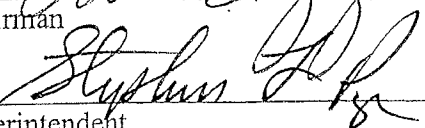


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Chairman



Superintendent.

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE HENDERSON COUNTY
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AT MILLS RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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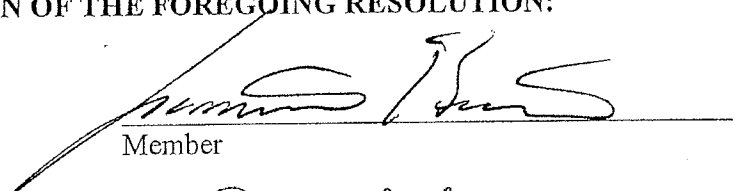
WHEREAS, a critical need exists for the construction of additions to the presently existing Mills River Elementary School site; and

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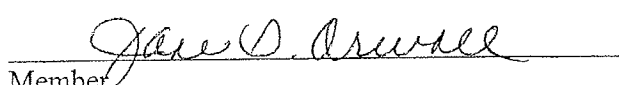
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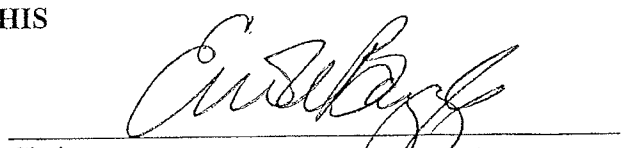
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SECONDED BY:


Member

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Chairman


Superintendent.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF HENDERSON COUNTY
REGARDING CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
OF THE HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, critical needs exist for certain school projects contemplated by this Board and by the Board of Education of Henderson County, namely (1) the Dana Project, which is the completion of renovations to the existing Dana Elementary School site (to commence upon completion of currently on-going "Phase One" renovations there), (2) the Hillandale Project, which is the construction of addition(s) and renovations to the existing Hillandale Elementary School site, and (3) the Mills River Project, which is the construction of addition(s) and renovations to the existing Mills River Elementary School site; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to seeking funding for necessary school construction projects, and with proceeding immediately with contracts for the design of these projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY** as follows:

1. Payment for architectural services in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) is hereby approved for Dana Project.
2. Payment for architectural services in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$325,500.00) is hereby approved for the Hillandale Project.
3. Payment for architectural services in a reasonable amount to be approved by this Board after negotiations between the architect and the Board of Education is hereby approved for the Mills River Project.

This resolution is effective upon adoption, this _____ day of November, 2006.

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
WILLIAM MOYER, Chairman

Attest:

Secretary