

MINUTES: Meeting of the Monona Grove School District, Athletic Field Use Ad Hoc Committee, held in the MGHS Conference room on Monday, August 25, 2008, starting at 6:30pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Storms, Jeff Vitense, Morris Haukereid, Susan Manning (left at 7:06), Jim Smecko, Jacob Tissue, Rich Plier (left at 7:15pm), Dan Zweifel, Pat Mackesey (arrived at 7:33).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Jake Anderson, Mike Stassi, Peter Sobol, Sharon Henes, Carl Pulvermacher, Tory Pomeroy, Bob Benitez, Derrick Daggett, Dennis Davidson, Angie Fassl, Pat Marsh

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Craig Gerlach, Jeff Schreiner, Mark Scullion

- I. Opening of Meeting – Jeff Schreiner opened the meeting at 6:34pm.
- II. Declaration of Public Notice – acknowledged
- III. Approval of Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes dated August 11, 2008
- IV. Committee updates: Looking at needs throughout district. Track needs, soccer needs. Jacob Tissue spoke about Fireman's Park – CG P&R Board meeting. Village is going to sell 7.3 acres to WI Rugby club. Will be developing a site plan, and go through board on Sept. 14. Hoping to have playable fields for next year. 2 fields championship and 2 practice fields. Develop 4 fields at Fireman's Park. 1 for championship rugby, other 2 with lights and bleachers in hope that MGSD will want to use it as a HS soccer facility. Details still need be worked out. If approved will start developing immediately. Clubhouse, etc. could be rented. Public storage, public restrooms. Maintained by village. Village board has passed/Parks board does not approve sale of land. Language of the sale is contingent on the development of a user agreement. Championship field could be used for soccer. If not a vested interest to use the facility they may not put lights in right away. Have not had any meetings at this point. Scheduling could be an issue. The following questions were asked: Is it realistic to have all V games on our HS field? Is it ideal to play soccer games on a football field? Ahuska is now tournament stadium field. G Soccer would like games at the HS stadium. B Soccer, atmosphere wise, would like to be at the HS stadium. Ahuska is in rough shape right now. Would like to build bridges between the 2 communities. Why aren't we making a soccer field at GD? Are we rethinking the solution to go to turf? (S Manning) We rely on P&R facilities (J Schreiner). Starting point, 1 football field, and 1 track. If going with grass, we need to move something off the field. If going with Artificial Turf all sports at HS field. If turf soccer can start practicing in March, would practice on turf but would not want to practice all the time there due to playing on grass for most games. Is turf the best answer? (B Storms) Still need to have strong relationships with Monona & CG recreation. Need a timeframe. If village goes thru with 3.5 million dollar referendum for fields, recreation center.

We need a plan. What type of overlap is there? How do we get community to support this referendum? If all parameters were met, would like CG proposal. Will they develop to the exact standards to build it up to championship level? Jacob Tissue said, yes, won't want to skimp on anything. What other events could be scheduled on the WRC land? Still at a stand still to figure out what CG is going to do, what are specs? Sit back and wait. What does it look like for Sept 10? Not ready yet. Would like to wait as far as presenting to the Board. Need to upgrade facilities at HS. Jeff S. will call meeting after the Village Meeting scheduled on Sept. 15. Do track and field at the same time per M Scullion. Issue is the track. C Gerlach is going to make contact with Monona and CG administrators. Soccer fields (WRC) don't hinge on a referendum per Jacob.

- V. Draft formal report for school board meeting on September 10, 2008 – Decided not to do report until after CG meeting.

- VI. Set date and agenda for next meeting – Date is set for Oct. 6, 2008 at 6:30pm at the MGHS Main Office Conference Room.

- VII. Adjournment – Craig Gerlach motioned and Morris Haukereid adjourned.