

Highlights from the Governance Team Meeting March 5, 2007

Naming

KPI's

Project and Budget Status Report

A status report on the schedule and budget was provided. The revision of building designs to deal with the effects of escalating construction costs was presented. At present, inflation is estimated at 1.75% per month to the end of the project. Because of the extraordinary efforts that have been made by the CLC team, the cost of the project has been contained to \$59 Million at this time. As more tenders are awarded, costs will become firmer. The CLC team will continue to work with our partners and government to deal with covering the cost of escalation.

CLC Program Development Committee

December and January have been a time of organization and research for several of the working groups that report to the Program Committee. As well, a significant site visit was taken in January by delegations from CLC and CESD to gather information from Vancouver, Washington Public Schools, Clark County Skills Centre and Clark College. As well, we had two presentations to the Program Committee. M. Giles presented his thoughts on “Smart” Cooperative Education. J. Mellan from Olds College presented information regarding directed field studies and portfolios as learning tools. In addition, he discussed software and learning objects that could enhance teaching and learning.

The Transition Pilot Program

The details of the “Transition Pilot Program” continue to develop – the emphasis on personalization is evident as individual students are able to tailor their program to incorporate additional modes of learning. As of December 19, twelve high school students have been set up with college mentors. Pre-trades Welding (Starting in April) and Heavy Equipment Operator Program (Starting in February) at Olds College have been made available to CESD students. Pre-trades Carpentry will be announced soon. As well an Equine Module is being developed to be offered over lunch hours during February and March. The noon hour speakers’ series continues to provide opportunities for students to engage with community specialists. The CESD grade nine *One Smart World* pilot is underway.

A meeting with representatives of community service groups was held on January 24, 2007 at which the mentoring and community service aspects of the transition program were discussed. The community groups are very interested in working with the CLC on this aspect of programming and offered excellent suggestions.

Video Conferencing and Spanish 10

CESD is offering a pilot Spanish 10 course via video conferencing starting in February. The teacher will be stationed at Bowden and other sites include Olds High School and Cremona.



One adult from the Cremona community has also joined the class. This will give us an opportunity to try out this broad band technology. The course will be live-time and interactive. There will be screens in each classroom that will allow students to see and hear the teacher and video cameras focused on students that allow the teacher to see and hear the students. There will be a teacher assistant with the students in the remote locations.

Renewable Energy Project

The “Renewable Energy Project” Working Group (Bio Diesel) is continuing to explore opportunities to link high school program with applied research possibilities as well as a tie-in to the science fair.

Green Space

The committee reviewed the site map to clarify such items as the grading and placement of the playing fields. It was decided to break the group up into smaller working groups to deal with particular aspects, such as Green Roofs and Community Gateway or opportunities for student research and projects.

Integrated Career Centre

“Career Development Strategy for Alberta” document was reviewed. Representatives from Olds College and Olds High School attended the Careers Conference 2007 in Madison, Wisconsin.

CLC Facility Use Committee

The Facility Use Committee has been meeting on a regular basis and is currently focusing on the guiding principles for both the use of the facilities and for the lease tenants.

CLC Business Development Committee

The Business Development Committee has been working over the last month on making contacts with potential donors. Considerable interest has been expressed in the project. Last week the contribution of an individual donor was celebrated as \$700,000 was donated to the project. As well, Kathy Doyle has been named Chair of the Community Fund Raising Committee. A volunteer binder has been developed to guide fund raising efforts. Kathy Doyle and Debra Klippenstein, Senior Fund Development Officer attended the Olds High School Parent Council meeting on January 29, 2007 to speak with parents about fund raising.



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