

Northeast Area Educational Advisory Council Meeting Minutes  
November 3, 2005

Members in attendance: Walter Hayes, Ron Zimmerman, Anita Bass and Barbara Martin. Also in attendance was a sophomore from Eastern Tech who is hoping to become a student member.

Our advisory council met at Kenwood High. Special thanks to Anita Bass for coordinating this event. Board members Johnson & Janssen attended and we appreciate their commitment. Also in attendance was a Boy Scout who is a student at Kenwood working on his communications merit badge.

The school principal took us on a thorough tour of the site for the new 400 student addition to Kenwood and the Department Chair for technology displayed a number of plans highlighting the upcoming construction. They did not foresee any problems with the upcoming construction and did not think that 400 additional students would result in additional problems. They seem to have a thorough logistical plan in place to minimize disruption to the educational process.

Ron Zimmerman described Parkville Middle School's very nice Junior Honor Society Induction ceremony to honor ACADEMIC excellence.

Loch Raven High School also had a program to recognize ACADEMIC achievement. This is a great idea!

We had a surprise visit from representatives of the county executive and the education coalition. They were there together to enthusiastically and extensively state that the county executive was not trying to influence or control stakeholder groups from the top down.

Three members of the Kenwood High Booster Club described the deplorable conditions in Kenwood's locker rooms and bathrooms. Hopefully these dreadful situations can be addressed during the construction of the addition to Kenwood.

The principal and AP from Chapel Hill Elem. attended and said all was well at their school.

We didn't have enough time at our meeting to completely review The Board of Education Focus Areas 2005-2006; but we did mention how especially heartening was Performance Goal #4 which clearly expresses the board's intention to continue to acquire land for expansion, especially for a high school in the central/northeast area.

Respectfully submitted by,

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