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WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 1, 2025

723 S. Lewis Street, Room 2073
Stillwater, OK 74074
11:30 AM

Karen Washington, Laura Arata, James Beckstrom, Norman McNickle, Gary Clark, Thomas Fields, Ann Houston, Calvin Miller, Jessie Sims, Kay Stewart, Clyde Wilson

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. General Orders

The Washington School Advisory Committee will hear a staff presentation, discuss, and take action including a vote or series of votes on each item listed as presented or as amended or revised by the Washington School Advisory Committee unless the agenda entry specifically states that no action will be taken. The requested action is indicated in each agenda entry but may be amended or revised prior to action by the Washington School Advisory Committee.

a.	Approval of March 4, 2025 minutes.
b.	Update from the Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action will be taken on this item.
c.	Discussion and possible action to make a request to City Council to consider payment for removal of asbestos from Washington School.
d.	Discussion and possible action for next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School

3. Public Comment
4. Adjourn

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Washington School Advisory Committee Minutes

March 4, 2025

723 S. Lewis Street, Room 2073

Stillwater, OK 74074

11:30 A.M.

Members present: Laura Arata, James Beckstrom, Gary Clark, Thomas Fields, Ann Houston, Calvin Miller, Norman McNickle, Kay Stewart, Karen Washington

Not present: Calvin Miller, Jessie Sims, Clyde Wilson

Others Present: Assistant City Attorney Ashlyn Garis, Community Programs Manager Stephanie Kinder, Michelle Charles

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Meeting called to order at 11:30 a.m.

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a. Approve Minutes from February 4, 2025

Motion to accept as presented made by McNickle, seconded by Stewart. Arata, Beckstrom, Clark, Fields, Houston, McNickle, Stewart, Washington – Aye. Approved 8-0.

b. Update from Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action taken.

Beckstrom provided a general update on Washington School Heritage Foundation activities. A fundraising gala will take place Friday, April 4. An outdoor clean-up day has been planned for Sunday, April 6 to coincide with OSU

Into the Streets volunteer event. An access agreement is still needed for the work day. City to provide dumpsters etc. Beckstrom explained the three phases currently envisioned for the Washington School Heritage Project.

- c. Discussion and possible direction to staff concerning a request for City-sponsored spring work day.

No indoor work can be done April 6 because asbestos remediation can't be completed by then. General discussion of original elements in the school auditorium that could be salvaged before the auditorium is demolished at some point in the future.

Need access agreement. Ask City staff to present the Advisory Board's request for City sponsorship of the work day.

Motion by McNickle, seconded by Clark for staff to consider City-sponsored workday in connection with Into the Streets on April 6.

Arata, Beckstrom, Clark, Fields, Houston, McNickle, Stewart, Washington – Aye. Approved 8-0.

- d. General discussion of next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School. No action taken.

The Washington School Heritage Foundation almost has enough money for asbestos remediation from current fundraiser ticket sales. More than 100 tickets are still available. The focus during the April 6 work day will be getting the brick wall facing 12th Avenue down. Volunteers are needed to bring drinks and snacks. Ask Thomas Fields to take photos of the work day.

3. Public Comment

No requests to speak.

4. Adjourn

Motion by Houston, seconded by Stewart, to adjourn.

Arata, Beckstrom, Clark, Fields, Houston, McNickle, Stewart, Washington – Aye. Approved 8-0. The Washington School Advisory Committee adjourned at 11:54 a.m.