

**South High Foundation
Strategic Planning Committee
Minutes of September 2, 2008 meeting**

Members present:

Bob Arneson	Rod Hemstreet
Harold Benson	Elmer Koch
Jim Bloom	*Bill McMoore
Chuck Carlson	Judy Pilhstrom
George Dahl	Loyd Schanke
Vonda Gluck	Don Swanson

The meeting was opened by Chair Harold Benson. Handbooks were given to Committee members and the handbooks were reviewed.

The following dates are the schedule for the Strategic Planning Committee:

September 2, 2008, 11:30am	January 6, 2009, 11:30am
October 7, 2008, 11:30am	February 3, 2009, 11:30am
November 4, 2008, 11:30am	March 3, 2009, 11:30am
December 2, 2008, 11:30am	April 14, 2009, 11:30am
	May 5, 2009, 11:30am

The Committee brainstormed the following topics:

Update Athletic Field Report

Jim Bloom updated the Committee on the progress of the Athletic Field building. Four bids will be considered and are due within the week. We anticipate the building will be started this fall.

Diversity Should Be Increased Within the Foundation

Vonda discussed the need to increase diversity on the Foundation Committees and Board. The South students have 60% students of color. The staff has 25% staff of color. Vonda and Bill volunteered to head a committee to recruit members of color.

Fundraising

A discussion was held to identify ways to revitalize our Fundraising Committee. Brian Thomson has resigned as Chair of the Committee. The following individuals have volunteered to provide leadership to the Committee: Loyd Schanke, Donald Swanson, Bill McMoore, Vonda Gluck.

The discussion centered on a need to have a comprehensive effort to increase fundraising. Rod Hemstreet volunteered to speak at the Spring Luncheon on the topic of endowments. He also will write an article for our spring newsletter. Various ideas were mentioned such as a Fall Spaghetti Dinner and Naming Activities for the gyms. The Committee will continue to expand on these ideas at future Committee meetings.

Ideas for building better recognition with students and staff were also discussed.

Agenda items for October will center on going through a process led by Elmer Koch to crystallize our efforts to enhance the South Foundation. The Entrepreneurial Class staff has been invited to our meeting to give us an update on the program.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15pm.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 2008 AT SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL AT 11:30 A.M.