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A 2006-07 growth management plan that has 1,200 fewer students and allows grandfathering for up to 3,383 students was presented to the Board of Education Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Dr. Ramey Beavers of the Growth Management Department said the public input led to many of the changes made to the plan that will fill seven new schools opening for 2006-07. Growth Management staff reviewed more than 2,000 comments sent Dec. 12-31 by e-mail, phone and mail. Beavers said the concerns voiced in the comments included the impact on sending schools, the impact on receiving schools, travel distance to school, feeder patterns and keeping neighborhood nodes going to the same school.

The board will continue to seek community input in six public hearings over three nights. The sessions will be held March 1 at North Garner Middle School and Wakefield High; March 2 at Green Hope High and Sanderson High; and March 6 at Middle Creek High and Knightdale High. The board will also hold a work session to discuss the growth management plan at 9 a.m., Wednesday, March 8, and is expected to approve the final plan March 21.

To read more about how the plan incorporates the public's comments, go to www.wcpss.net/news/2006_growth_manage_plan/.

AUXILIARY SERVICES DIVISION

Vision
Providing Services That Power
Education

Mission Statement
Provide quality facilities and
support services to ensure safe,
healthy, inviting and optimal
learning environments.

Goals

- 1) Recruit, develop and retain a qualified and high quality workforce.
- 2) Provide and maintain quality facilities and support services that result in a safe and healthy learning environment.
- 3) Effectively communicate successes, challenges and needs.

Cost to Avoid Total Year-Round Conversion: Four Cents

The cost difference between building mainly new schools and converting all existing elementary and middle schools to a multi-track year-round calendar: four cents.

The school board and county commissioners discussed the tax rate implications of sample building program scenarios through 2010 at a joint work session, Feb. 15. The meeting is part of a long, on-going process to determine the best way to provide much-needed classroom seats in a school system that is expected to gain 40,000 students in the next five years, and the financial impact on the community.

In costing out three scenarios, county officials said building mainly new schools would require a property tax increase of 11.1 cents for capital and operating the facilities, whereas converting all existing elementary and middle schools to a multi-track year-round calendar would require a 7.2-cent increase. Basically, it comes down to: Is it worth \$75 a year to go year-round?

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	Bond Amount	Tax Rate Increase for Capital	Tax Rate Increase for Operating the Facilities	Total Tax Rate Increase – Impact of Scenarios for Capital Programs	Total Annual Tax Increase on Median House (\$175,000) in Wake
Scenario A	\$1.705 billion	7.9 cents	3.2 cents	11.1 cents	\$200/year
Scenario B	\$1.563 billion	6.5 cents	3.1 cents	9.6 cents	\$168/year
Scenario C	\$1.225 billion	3.4 cents	3.8 cents	7.2 cents	\$126/year

Scenario A costs \$1.975 billion and includes:

- Build 28 new schools (19 elementary, 6 middle and 3 high), with them opening on a mix of traditional and multi-track year-round calendars.
- Convert 10 existing elementary schools and 4 middle schools to year-round.
- Address renovation needs deferred from earlier building program proposals and all life-cycle maintenance needs.
- Provide recommended support facilities, technology infrastructure, and facility assessments and start-up funding for future projects.

Scenario B costs \$1.797 billion and includes:

- Build 22 new schools (14 elementary, 5 middle and 3 high), with all elementary and middle schools opening on the year-round calendar.
- Convert 7 existing elementary schools and 4 middle schools to year-round.
- Address renovation needs deferred from earlier building program proposals and all life-cycle maintenance needs.
- Provide recommended support facilities, technology infrastructure, and facility assessments and start-up funding for future projects.

Scenario C costs \$1.375 billion and includes:

- Build 9 new schools (5 elementary, 2 middle, 2 high), with all elementary and middle schools opening on the year-round calendar.
- Convert all existing traditional calendar elementary and middle schools to multi-track year-round calendars.
- Address renovation needs deferred from earlier building program proposals and all life-cycle maintenance needs.
- Provide recommended support facilities, technology infrastructure, and facility assessments and start-up funding for future projects.

No matter what scenario the school system ends up with, WCPSS will have to convert some existing schools to year-round and open ninth-grade centers in 2007-08 to manage growth.

The Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce will use the scenarios to poll voters, which will help the school board and county commissioners as they continue planning for a November 2006 school construction bond referendum.

New Member

Please welcome **Karen Narron**, the new Organizational Development secretary. Karen has been with WCPSS for seven years and comes to us from Jones Dairy Elementary. She will be using the same phone numbers as our previous secretary (664-5729 phone, Nextel 2424) and her e-mail is knarron@wcpss.net. Karen is the proud mother of two, and the very proud grandmother of two. Be sure and ask her about Jackson and Cooper when you meet her!

Mazie Swindell Smith

WCPSS "Changing Hearts" Cardiovascular Awareness Campaign

During the month of February, WCPSS is holding a series of informative and fun heart health awareness programs. As part of the "Changing Hearts" campaign Wake County Human Services is presenting a "One Step Ahead" event from 10 a.m. to noon, Feb. 21, at the Old Refrigeration Shop at Rock Quarry Road. You'll learn how to stay steps ahead of heart disease with the Auxiliary Services Division's walking program.

Other events included sharing heart-health information for women, free blood pressure screenings and swapping out old First Aid kits.

Incandescent Bulbs vs. Compact Fluorescent Lamps: The Potential Energy Savings May Surprise You

Christina Larkins, Resources Management Administrator, Organizational Development

Although the purchase price for compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) is more than conventional light bulbs, CFLs last 10 times longer and provide equivalent light. CFLs utilize much less electricity while providing the same level of light. In only one to three months, you save enough in energy to cover your initial purchase cost.

Ninety percent of the energy used in a light bulb is radiated as heat from the filament. Only 10 percent of the energy used by a standard incandescent light bulb produces light. A good example of this is the fact that easy bake ovens use a single 100-Watt light bulb to cook food! Another way to look at it is the "fuel" efficiency of a CFL is like replacing a car that gets 20 miles per gallon with one that gets 100 miles per gallon.

Replacing energy-hogging incandescent bulbs with energy-saving fluorescent ones (CFLs) is a simple, effective way to slow the rate of global climate change while saving money. It's good for the environment, it's economical, it's efficient, and it's easy.

View the comparison below of the long-term costs of the two types of light bulbs:

INCANDESCENT vs. COMPACT FLUORESCENT BULBS		
Bulb Type	100W Incandescent	23W Compact Fluorescent
Purchase Price	\$0.75	\$11.00
Life of the Bulb	750 hours	10,000 hours
Number of Hours Burned per Day	4 hours	4 hours
Number of Bulbs Needed	About 6 over 3 years	1 over 6.8 years
Total Cost of Bulbs	\$4.50	\$11.00
Lumens Produced	1,690	1,500
Total Cost of Electricity (8 cents/kilowatt-hour)	\$35.04	\$8.06
Your Total Cost over 3 years	\$39.54	\$19.06
Total Savings over three years with the Compact Fluorescent:		\$20.50
Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration		

Training Schedule

Computers/Trade Specific/ Health and Safety

CPD: Intro to Computers

Feb. 20

9 a.m. – noon

Rock Quarry Road Training Center

SRN: 259000901

One Step Ahead

Feb. 21

10 a.m. – noon

Old Refrigeration Shop, RQ

SRN: 259018901

Business Communications for Supervisors (#2 of 4 sessions)

Feb. 22

10 a.m. – noon

Rock Quarry Road Training Center

SRN: 259017201

American Red Cross CPR/AED

Feb. 23

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Garner Training Center

SRN: 259005818

CPD: Monthly Fire Extinguisher Inspection/Documentation

Feb. 28

10 a.m. - noon

Garner Training Center

SRN: 259012902

MAXIMO

MAXIMO Everywhere Training

(for school-users)

March 1

10 – 11 a.m. (AS90063)

Rock Quarry Road Training Center

MAXIMO Equipment Training

(for M&O staff)

March 15

1 – 4 p.m. (AS90062)

Rock Quarry Road Training Center

MAXIMO Handheld Training

(for M&O staff)

March 16

Starts at 8:30 a.m. (all day)

(AS90145)

Rock Quarry Road Training Center

CPD stands for Custodial Professional Development.

To sign up for MAXIMO classes, contact Petra Harris (pharris2@wcpss.net or 856-8128) or register through eSchools. To register for all other classes, go to <https://ero3.eschoolsolutions.com/user/login.taf?orgID=42358&userID=&PIN=&function>. Enter your user ID=SS# and Pin=last four digits of your SS#. If you have questions, please contact Beth Ann Williams (bwilliams2@wcpss.net or 856-8018).

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