

**AGENDA
PULASKI COUNTY
SCHOOL BOARD AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JOINT MEETING**

**Pulaski Elementary School
Monday, September 17, 2012, 6:00 p.m.**

1. **Welcome** - We plan to provide pizza, assorted desserts and drinks.

2. **Action Items:**
 - a. **Implementation of DecideSmart Study Recommendations** – The DecideSmart study of Joint Service efficiencies (**enclosed**) was concluded in March 2012. We recommend consideration over the next six months by both boards, with leadership from the Joint Services Oversight Board (two members each from the Board of Supervisors and School Board), as to how joint services would best be structured and how to best plan needed capital improvements.

 - b. **School Renovation and/or Construction** – The School Board is charged with the development and implementation of construction projects while the Board of Supervisors is responsible for determining appropriate funding for these improvements. Considering the likelihood of extended delays as projects get proposed for subsequent funding consideration, it would seem that all would benefit from informal consideration of the middle school issue as an overall group of ten, with each board taking subsequent action based on the consensus of the larger group.

Currently, proposals for the development of cost estimates for a variety of possible solutions have been solicited from two firms (OWPR and CRA). A decision as to which firm to use would be helpful in working toward development of a school construction/renovation plan with a focus on middle school options.

3. **Informational Updates on Current Initiatives** – We would like to provide both boards with a brief update on the following items:
 - a. **Joint Garage** – We anticipate the construction of an expansion to the County garage will cost \$500,000 and that the County would recover this expense through a minimum estimated annual savings of \$30,000 in personnel costs. Thus, there would be a 17- to 25-year return of funds initially invested not counting operational savings through more efficient use of employee time, provision of a

centrally located facility and the advantage of removing the School Board garage from the middle school. Jared Linkous is working with Thompson and Litton on the development of a master plan and we would like to request consideration of the matter by both boards. Staff recommends utilization of the internal services fund to pay for fuel, stocked parts, utilities and labor with each entity billed for actual use. Garage overhead is proposed to be paid through an up-charge on labor and parts with a minimal markup of fuel sales to account for maintenance of the fuel dispensing system. This approach would eliminate the need for major fuel purchases and allow for utilization of garage services by other public agencies. Formal agreement by both boards to joining garage operations is recommended.

- b. **Regional Fiber Grant** – Tim Barnes plans to update both boards regarding the status of the regional fiber project and the likely benefit of the project to both the School Board and other County operations.

4. Other items for Future Discussion

- a. Personnel Policy Revisions
- b. Joint Services in Human Resources
- c. Transfer of Leave Accruals
- d. Joint Building Maintenance
- e. Other Initiatives – Your staffs would appreciate suggestions from Board members for other means of working together in serving the public during these difficult economic times.

5. **Next meeting** – The next meeting would tentatively be scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 18th (3rd Monday), unless Board members would like to meet sooner.

6. Adjournment