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The last Board of Education meeting of 2004 began with the approval of the Consent Agenda. Included under this agenda was the appointment of Kelly Magee as an Elementary School monitor. Under Reports to the Board, Trustee Linda Moll reported on the previous week's Curriculum Council meeting where the first quarter Academic Achievement Report was reviewed with curriculum coordinators. Board President Laurie Verbridge reported on the Wayne County Board of Supervisors meeting. This four-hour meeting included a vote on whether the County would continue to share sales tax with the eleven (11) school districts that comprise Wayne County. The resolution, proposed by Savannah Town Supervisor Donald Colvin, was defeated. Since Mr. Colvin has vowed to continue his fight to take-back the schools' share of the sales tax, President Verbridge announced that the Wayne County Education Coalition will continue with its next meeting scheduled for January 10th at 7:00 p.m. at K.M. Davies in Williamson. Citizens, school board members and business owners are invited to attend. The Coalition's purpose is to promote educational excellence in Wayne County.

Eight (8) Committee on Special Education case summaries were unanimously passed and the Building Principal's Reports were reviewed. Three policies underwent second readings, one underwent a second reading for elimination and a new policy on Reporting and Investigations of Allegations of Fraud underwent a first reading.

The Board spent a great deal of time discussing the proposed bus stops in the Whispering Woods complex. Since these roads are private, school buses do not have to go into the complex. Although the Board wishes to continue to pick up students on the complex's roads, Transportation Supervisor Nancy Weber voiced serious concerns about the maintenance of these roads during the ice and snow season. The Board decided to set-up bus stops within the complex through January 31, 2005. They will review this topic at their January 26th meeting, at which time it may be necessary to set-up bus stops at points where the complex's roads meet the public roads. In the meantime, efforts will be undertaken to work with town officials and the park's owners to improve the road conditions. The Board's goal, as always, is to provide for the safety of all students.

Also under New Business, the Board of Education approved the contracts for the architect, construction management and surveyors for the recently passed Capital Project. They were as follows:

- Architect – McDonald & Monterose Architects, L.L.P. – Dave McDonald, Architect
- Construction Management – Watchdog Building Partners, Inc. – Todd LaBarr, Principal-in-Charge
- Surveyors – Bergmann Associates

An aggressive timeline for the project has been scheduled, with the ground-breaking for Phase I to take place in the summer of 2005. December 2006 is the anticipated date of completion for all work.