

MERIDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 505  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
December 11, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Charlie Crabtree, Board Chair. The meeting was held at Pastazza Restaurant in Bellingham.

Board members in attendance were Judy Boxx, Mary Mattison, Charlie Crabtree, Brian Evans and Bryan Vander Yacht. Also present was Burton Dickerson.

**BOARD SELF EVALUATION**

Board members reviewed and discussed the Board's Operating Protocol. The performance of the Board over the past year was considered in relationship to the ideals expressed in the Operating Protocol. It was agreed that this document is a helpful tool in focusing the efforts and activities of the Board in a positive and constructive manner and that the Board has adhered to the principles outlined therein.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DISTRICT PRIORITIES**

Burton shared information on recent leadership development activities for both the district office team and the administrative cabinet. Directions and focus emerging here as well as the school improvement planning process will be useful context for our future efforts to develop an updated strategic plan with the involvement of an advisory committee. The discussion included conversations about the challenge of meeting learning standards in mathematics.

**BOARD ORGANIZATION**

It was noted that the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board will be on December 20, 2006 as a part of the regularly scheduled meeting. Discussion followed to review the process for the organizational meeting and to consider the interests of individual board members.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. by Chair Charlie Crabtree.

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Charlie Crabtree, Chair of the Board

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Burton Dickerson, Superintendent  
And Secretary to the Board