MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Study of School Financing Adequacy
(A.C.R. 10 of the 2005 Legislative Session)

Date and Time of Meeting: March 28, 2006
9:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Grant Sawyer State Office Building
Room 4401
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada

Note: Some members of the committee may be attending the meeting and other persons may observe the meeting and provide testimony through a simultaneous video conference conducted at the following location:

Legislative Building
Room 2135
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada

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AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS
   Chairman Smith

*II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2006 MEETING

*III. STATUS REPORT FROM CONTRACTOR AND DISCUSSION REGARDING PROGRESS ON THE STUDY OF SCHOOL FINANCING ADEQUACY
   John Augenblick, Augenblick, Palaich and Associates, Inc.
   Justin Silverstein, Augenblick, Palaich and Associates, Inc.
IV. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF NEEDS AND FUNDING OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION IN NEVADA’S SCHOOL DISTRICTS

a. Nevada Association of School Boards:
   Marty Johnson, Johnson Consulting
   Rick Kester, CFO, Douglas County School District
   Rick Hardy, Superintendent, Lincoln County School District
   Nat Lommori, Superintendent, Lyon County School District
   Paul Johnson, CFO, White Pine County School District
b. Washoe County School District – Mark Stanton, Capital Projects and Planning Administrator
c. Clark County School District – Walt Rulffes, Superintendent of Schools
   Clark County School District – Fred Smith, Manager of School Construction

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. ADJOURNMENT

*Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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Date and Time of Meeting: March 28, 2006
5:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting: Western High School – New Theatre
4601 West Bonanza Road
Las Vegas, Nevada

AGENDA

I. OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF CONSULTANT SELECTED TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE WITH ITS STUDY
Chairman Smith

II. PRESENTATION BY CONSULTANT REGARDING THE PROCESS TO BE USED FOR THE STUDY OF SCHOOL FINANCING ADEQUACY
John Augenblick and Justin Silverstein, Augenblick, Palaich and Associates

III. PUBLIC FORUM INCLUDING PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSION WITH CONSULTANT REGARDING PUBLIC EDUCATION ISSUES IN NEVADA

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The Legislative Committee to Study School Financing Adequacy invites you to a

PUBLIC FORUM

to provide your input and comments to the consultant that is conducting a study on

School Finance Issues and the Needs of Nevada’s Schools

The forum will be held at:

Western High School – New Theatre
4601 West Bonanza Road
Las Vegas, Nevada

Tuesday, March 28, 2006, from 5-7 p.m.

Please limit oral presentations to 3-5 minutes. Please provide the consultant with a copy of any written materials used in your presentation.

Another public forum will be held in Reno on April 24, 2006. (time and location to be announced)

For more information contact (775) 684-6821
Legislative Counsel Bureau, Fiscal Analysis Division
PRESS RELEASE

The consultant for the Legislative Committee on School Financing Adequacy will hold two public forums to receive public input on school funding issues in Nevada. The first meeting will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 2006, in the new theatre at Western High School, 4601 West Bonanza Road, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Following a brief description of the committee’s purpose, the committee’s consultant, Augenblick, Palaich and Associates, Inc. (APA) of Denver, Colorado, will provide an overview of the work it is undertaking, which is designed to estimate the cost of an adequate education and to develop the parameters needed to build a school finance system.

The public is then invited to comment on the work of the committee, the work of the consultant, or on any school finance issue that might be of interest to policymakers in Nevada. The committee and its consultant are particularly interested in hearing about the needs of schools and school districts, the cost of providing education services in the state, the cost of meeting the state’s accountability standards, and the financial pressures schools and school districts face that are beyond their control.

The committee urges participants to limit their oral presentations to 3-5 minutes and to provide the consultant with a copy of any written materials used in their presentations.

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