



GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: May 5, 2015

TITLE: Request to Change Existing School Colors at Walker Elementary

BACKGROUND:

At the end of the 2013-2014 school year, the Walker Site Council inquired about the Walker Elementary School colors. The reason for the inquiry was that while celebrating the 50th anniversary of Walker, staff had selected a retro-look for Walker school shirts and chose a design with the original school colors of green and white.

No one on the Site Council knew that the school colors were now Turquoise and Sand. Several of these parents have had students at Walker for 5 or more years. A discussion ensued about changing the school colors to something more befitting a Wolf (the school mascot). Mr. McConnell, Principal at Walker Elementary, let the Site Council know that he would investigate steps involved in changing/updating the school colors.

At the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year, the Site Council members wanted to continue the discussion of school colors. They decide to poll the school community to see if members knew the school colors. They conducted a poll on the Walker Facebook Page and set up a Google link on the Walker Webpage. Eighty-five percent (85%) of those responding did not know the school colors.

When asked if there was a preference for colors, responses were varied, but a consistent trend identified the following combinations: black and white, black and grey, or black and silver.

At the Fall PTO and Site Council meetings, members discussed the school colors and the PTO proposed a change to black and silver. The color change was brought to the staff members who indicated they liked the proposed change to black and silver. The new color scheme was also presented to students and they overwhelmingly liked the proposed new colors.

In short, the Walker community would like to change the school colors to something more befitting a Wolf; they are seeking Board approval to change the Walker Elementary colors to black and silver.

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that the Board approve the use of black and silver as the Walker Elementary School colors.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: April 22, 2015

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