

District Announces Kennison Field Renovation Committee

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On Tuesday, June 5, Hermiston School District Interim Superintendent Wade Smith announced the membership makeup of the Kennison Field Renovation Committee.

Comprised of 12 district and community stakeholders, the committee is charged with assisting the district during the input and design process for the proposed renovation of Kennison Field. During its May meeting, the HSD Board of Education approved Interim Smith's 12 month input-design-build renovation schedule, as a result of the deteriorating track facility and bleacher safety concerns.

The committee will meet consistently over the next five months to assist in the design and layout of the renovated complex. The proposed schedule, as presented by Smith, has the committee achieving milestones in October and mid-November for schematic design and construction document stages, respectively. Construction is planned to begin around January, 2013, and is set to be complete prior to the 2013 football season.

Committee Members include:

- Wade Smith (Interim Superintendent)
- Greg Harris (representing the Board of Education)
- Dr. Dave Drotzmann (representing the Hermiston Sports Boosters)
- Dennis Barnett (representing the Hermiston Linebacker's Club)
- Mike Kay (Director of Athletics and Support Services)
- Mark Hodges (varsity football coach)
- Rich Harshberger (representing the varsity soccer program)
- Brandt Lind (representing the varsity track program)
- Jocelyn Jones (Hermiston High School Principal)
- Larry Fetter (Hermiston Parks and Recreation Manager)
- Erick Olson (community member)
- Kirby Warner (representing the high school physical education program)