Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 13, 2005

Present: Jane Santinelli, Chairperson, Susan Iuliano, Vice Chairperson

Members: Rich Robison, Alexa Crowe, Bill Braun

Also Present: Dr. John Brackett, Superintendent, Robert Milley, Assistant Superintendent,

Mary Will, Director of Business & Finance, Mary Mahoney, SEA

Jane Santinelli called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Open Forum I

No comments.

I. School Committee Report

A. Bill Schedule

A bill schedule was presented.

B. Food Allergy Policy and Protocol

The Superintendent explained that staff, including nurses, classroom teachers, cafeteria personnel, and substitutes will undergo training regarding the Student Allergy Policy & Protocol.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to adopt the Student Allergy Policy as presented. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

C. Superintendent's Evaluation

Bill Braun presented a draft of the Superintendent's Evaluation. Members were asked to review the evaluation and submit comments to Bill Braun.

II. Superintendent's Report

A. Facilities Update

The Superintendent reported that a walk-thru of the Village Green property was conducted with other Town officials. With some modification, it could possibly accommodate the preschool and/or administrative offices. The Superintendent will inform the Town that the School Committee continues to be interested in the property.

The Superintendent also toured vacant land behind Ti Sales. The property had been considered in the past and disqualified for a new school; however, it has not been considered for administrative offices. It is currently being used for playing fields.

B. Update on Snack Survey

Mary Will presented the results of the recent Elementary School Snack Survey. Mary will continue to work with nutritionists to identify healthier snack choices. In addition, the procedure for selling snacks should be standardized among the schools.

New Metco Initiative

Bob Milley reported on a recent initiative to address transportation and academic issues of Metco students. The initiative includes shared buses, before and after school programs, the use of bus monitors, and fewer stops in Boston. The Superintendent recognized the efforts of the teachers who have been involved in addressing issues in the Metco program this year.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet. Jane Santinelli presented a thank you note from retiring teacher Ronni Feder.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Bill Braun, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the minutes of the June 22, 2005 Regular Session as presented. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

Member's Forum

Rich Robison reported that a new U.S. Dept. of Education Deputy Secretary has been appointed. Previously, he created a web-based comparison of test and cohort data called Just for the Kids. Massachusetts has devised its own version of it. The Department has begun to speak to some flexibility in NCLB.

Alexa Crowe reported on a recent media report where Sudbury is ranked the #1 town in the country to raise children.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of Contract Negotiations and potential litigation, not to return to open session. The time was 10:05 p.m. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

Yes Bill Braun Yes Jane Santinelli Yes Rich Robison Yes Alexa Crowe

Susan Iuliano

Yes

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary