Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Regular Meeting Thursday, February 2, 2006

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

Members: Bill Braun Rich Robison (at 7:25 p.m.)

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

Mary Will, Director of Business & Finance, Debbie Dixson, SPED

Administrator, Gini Tate, Legal Counsel, Luan Dean

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to convene into Executive Session for purposes of Pending Litigation. The vote was 3-0. The time was 7:20 p.m.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to adjourn to Regular Session. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The time was 8:15 p.m.

Also Present: Bob Mealy, SEA

Jane Santinelli called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

Open Forum I

No comments.

I. School Committee Report

A. Bill Schedule

A bill schedule was presented.

II. Superintendent's Report

Recognition

The Superintendent recognized the following people who served on a panel entitled "Kindergarten Night": Janet Hammonds, Nancy Iacobucci, Kim Taylor, Annette Doyle, Debbie Dixson, and Linda Karpeichik. This event was sponsored by Sunny Hill Preschool for all preschool parents and was attended by 75-100 people.

A. FY '06 District Goals Update and FY '07 District Goals

Dr. Brackett, Bob Milley and Mary Will presented an update on the current District Goals and Strategies. The Superintendent requested input from the Committee on goals for next year. The Committee suggested continued focus on the math initiative and the space issue, as well as recruiting and retaining staff, special education, and continued communication with L-S and the Town.

B. Emergency Plan Revisions

The Superintendent presented a draft of the updated Emergency Plan and explained its necessity in light of recent severe weather incidents. He noted the increased use of technology in this effort, for example, reverse 911, cell phones, web blasts, etc.

C. FY '07 Budget

Susan Iuliano and Bill Braun gave an update on recent Budget discussions. The Finance Committee has voted to recommend a level service, non-override budget. The Finance Committee has scheduled a Budget Forum for March 20.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet. Jane noted a letter from the Selectmen endorsing the Acton proposal regarding minimum funding level in Ch. 70 Aid.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to accept the minutes of the January

18, 2006 Regular Session as presented. The vote was 3-0 in favor (Rich Robison abstaining).

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

Member's Forum

Bob Mealey noted that six Middle School students were invited to play in the Northeast Music Festival: Nicole Chen, Matt Gleason, Ryan Tsang, Adam Blake, Chris Nifong, and Felicia Patel. In addition, the Flute Choir was invited to the Mass. Music Teachers' All-State Conference.

Rich Robison noted that the Annual Conference of the Federation for Children with Special Needs will be held on March 4, at the World Trade Center.

Dr. Brackett informed the Committee that the Loring staff has decided to eliminate its multi-age classes beginning next school year.

Jane Santinelli noted that a Legislative Breakfast will be held on April 10. Also, EDCO is putting together an AdHoc Data Committee and is looking for volunteers. The first meeting will be held on 2/15 at 11:30 a.m. in the Weston Superintendent's Office.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The time was 10:20 p.m.

Yes Bill Braun Yes Jane Santinelli

Yes Rich Robison Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary