Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Special Meeting January 13, 2003

**Present:** Rich Robison, Chairperson, Karen Krone, Vice Chairperson

Members: Bill Braun, Kathy Precourt, Jane Santinelli

Rich Robison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Rich introduced Andre Ravenelle, from the Barnstable Public School System, a finalist for the Superintendent's position. Committee Members posed questions to Mr. Ravenelle.

What do you perceive as the major challenges you will face?

What are the differences between Sudbury and Barnstable?

What is your style in terms of communication with administrators, staff and parents?

Could you give some examples of ideas to limit the impact of financial difficulties on education?

What methods have you used to establish relationships with other community members, boards, and various groups?

What will you do to lead the system through these challenging times, in light of the hiring of a new superintendent, new business manager and new middle school principal, and the current financial situation?

What do you see as the challenges of Special Education?

What are your priorities for your own professional development?

Why would you like to be superintendent of a K-8 system?

Questions/comments from Mr. Ravenelle:

Mr. Ravenelle commented that the Sudbury School District had a very impressive infrastructure, wonderful teachers, a great academic climate, and an unusually high level of parental involvement/volunteerism.

**VOTED**: On a motion by Karen Krone, seconded by Jane Santinelli, to adjourn the meeting.

The vote was 5-0 in favor. The time was 8:00 p.m.

Yes Bill Braun

Yes Jane Santinelli Yes Rich Robison Yes Karen Krone Yes Kathy Precourt

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary