

**Sudbury Public Schools
Sudbury, Massachusetts
School Committee Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 21, 2004**

Present: Jane Santinelli, Vice Chairperson
Members: Rich Robison, Susan Iuliano, Alexa Crowe
Also Present: Dr. John Brackett, Superintendent, Robert Milley, Assistant Superintendent,
Mary Will, Director of Business & Finance, Debbie Dixon, SPED Administrator, Mary Mahoney, SEA

Jane Santinelli called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Open Forum I

No comments.

I. School Committee Report

A. Bill Schedule

A Bill Schedule was presented.

B. Donation to Sudbury Public Schools

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the donation of toner cartridges and transparencies from Jamie and Jonathan Gossels. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

II. Superintendent's Report

A. Recognitions

The Superintendent recognized, on behalf of Nixon Principal Rita Bissonnette-Clark, 4th Grade Student Connor Young, who recently won 1st place in an art contest sponsored by the DOE entitled, "What I Want to be When I Graduate from College."

The Superintendent recognized Curtis Middle School Students and teachers Sandra Hollicker and Beth Beloff, for their efforts in publishing The Cauldron, a compilation of student writing.

B. Approval of the FY '04 Line-Item Transfers

C. FY '04 Budget Expenditures and Closing the FY '04 Budget

Mary Will presented information regarding necessary end-of-year budget adjustments and an amended working budget.

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Rich Robison, to approve the Amended Working Budget for '04 as presented. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

D. FY '04-05 District Goals

The Superintendent presented the 2004-2005 Improving on Excellence Goals and Strategies for the Sudbury Public Schools. Committee members were asked to review this document for any comments/suggestions.

New Items

E. St. Anselm Property

The Superintendent presented information from Town Manager Maureen Valente regarding the establishment of a task force to look at this property for community housing. Because of the interest the School Committee has expressed in the property, a member of the Committee is invited to serve on the Task Force.

Susan Iuliano agreed to serve.

F. Lincoln and Sudbury Benchmark Committee

The Superintendent presented a letter regarding the formation of a committee to establish benchmarks for the Lincoln and Sudbury schools to be used in future budgeting cycles. One School Committee member and one administrator is invited to participate. The Superintendent will communicate the Committee's interest but suggest a meeting in September rather than August when members could be available.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Rich Robison, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the minutes of the June 30, 2004 Regular Session as presented. The vote was 3-0 in favor.

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

Member's Forum

Debbie Dixon reported that the Summer School Program is up and running successfully. The NECC Program just finished its first year and was very successful. The transition to CASE transportation has been completed.

Mary Will reported that there was an issue at the Loring School baseball field. The baseball program erected a fence along the 3rd base line and poison ivy has been growing up the fence. Some measures were taken to solve the problem but were unacceptable to the Conservation Commission because the area is within 100 feet of a stream. Discussions are underway to rectify the situation.

Bob Milley reported on the progress of the ELL program. The ELL Center will be housed at the Haynes School.

Alexa Crowe suggested that copies of The Cauldron be made available to the elementary libraries.

Rich Robison expressed his appreciation to the staff at Curtis for the use of the building for a theater production.

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The time was 10:00 p.m.

Yes Jane Santinelli
Yes Rich Robison
Yes Alexa Crowe
Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary