Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 16, 2005

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

Members: Rich Robison, Alexa Crowe

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

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

Administrator, Jean Foster, 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. Donation to Sudbury Public Schools

VOTED: On a motion by Rich Robison, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept a donation of 14 desks with attached chairs from Raytheon Company. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the donation of a scoreboard for Noyes School and replacement bulbs for the scoreboard at Curtis from the Sudbury Youth Basketball Program. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

C. Compensation Clarification

The Superintendent explained that an agreement had been reached with the SEA regarding compensating staff members for performing duties outside of the school day (for example, the MAST program). This agreement requires School Committee approval.

VOTED: On a motion by Rich Robison, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to approve the agreement entitled, "Compensation Clarification" dated October 5, 2005. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

II. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Recognition

There were no recognitions to report.

A. Sargeant Center Overnight Trip

The Superintendent presented the Sargeant Center Overnight Trip in New Hampshire for the Curtis 8th Graders and requested approval. There was a question regarding a potential conflict with the L-S Graduation. In addition, the process to request

scholarships should be made very clear to parents and appropriate supports should be available for students with disabilities.

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to approve the 8th Grade Sergeant Trip. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

B. FY '07 Budget

The Superintendent presented several scenarios (1.5%, 3.5% and 6.3%) of the FY '07 Budget.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet. The Superintendent announced a School Board Liability Meeting on Thursday, 11/17/05.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to accept the minutes of the November 2, 2005 Regular Session as presented. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

Member's Forum

Bob Milley distributed a brochure on an upcoming Science Workshop focusing on Sudbury Learning Outcomes for Science and Technology/Engineering.

Rich Robison reported on a recent Supreme Court decision placing the burden of proof on the petitioner in special education cases. In Massachusetts, the system already works this way, so it should be less of an impact here than in other states. Also, parents' protections have been spelled out very specifically (ie parents' rights to have an individual evaluator review a child's IEP).

John Brackett distributed a draft calendar for the 2006-2007 School Year for Committee members to review.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 10:40 p.m. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

Yes Jane Santinelli

Yes Rich Robison

Yes Alexa Crowe

Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary