Sudbury Public Schools Sudbury, Massachusetts School Committee Regular Meeting Wednesday, September 21, 2005

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

Members: Rich Robison, Alexa Crowe, Bill Braun (at 8:10 p.m.)

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

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

Administrator, Bob Mealey, 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.

II. Superintendent's Report

A. Handwriting Without Tears Program

Jan Binus and Debbie Dixson presented a new writing initiative called Handwriting Without Tears. The goal is to have a consistent handwriting program throughout the district. Bob Milley commended Jan for her efforts on implementing this program.

I. School Committee Report

B. School Activity Fund Policy & Procedure No. 7.4

Susan Iuliano explained some minor revisions made since the first vote on this item. **VOTED**: On a motion by Bill Braun, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to approve the Student Activity Fund Policy No. 7.4 as presented. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

C. Recap of Chapter 70 Meeting

The meeting was canceled and rescheduled for October 3, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

D. Superintendent's Evaluation

Bill Braun distributed the Superintendent's Evaluation.

VOTED: On a motion by Bill Braun, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to accept the Superintendent's Evaluation with minor revisions. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

II. Superintendent's Report

Recognition - no recognitions were reported.

B. Enrollment Report

The Superintendent updated the Committee on the enrollment as of September 12, 2005.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the minutes of the September 7, 2005 Regular and Executive Sessions as presented. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet. The Superintendent reported there is still a 6th Grade Special Educator position open.

Member's Forum

Alexa Crowe commented on the new Food Allergy Protocol brochure.

Bob Milley reported that Curriculum Guides for each grade level will be distributed at Open House.

Bob Mealey noted that the SEA is looking forward to working toward a successful agreement.

Rich Robison reported on Sudbury Day. He presented information from the Lexington Learning Center and the Spellman Museum of Stamps and History. Rich also attended a Town event recognizing town volunteers. Rich also distributed a Bulletin on parent involvement in math published by The Federation for Children with Special Needs. Rich reported on recent education hearings at the State house. Weekly hearings are being held on issues such as special education, Chapter 70 aid, circuit breaker funding, etc.

Susan Iuliano reported the Finance Committee will be requesting a non-override budget of about 1.5%. They will also request a 3% budget, and accept any other budget the district would like to present.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Bill Braun, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5-0 in favor. The time was 10:00 p.m.

Yes Bill Braun

Yes Jane Santinelli

Yes Rich Robison

Yes Alexa Crowe

Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary