

**Sudbury Public Schools
Sudbury, Massachusetts
School Committee Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 18, 2006**

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

Jane Santinelli called the meeting to order at 7:45 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 Karen McCarthy, Science Curriculum Specialist, for her recent presentations to all schools regarding energy conservation efforts.

A. 2004-05 Results from Middle School Adolescent Behavior Survey

Betsy Grams, Wellness Coordinator, presented the results of the 2004-05 Middle School Adolescent Behavior Survey. The survey will be shared with the community in an upcoming forum.

B. Elementary Bullying Survey

Betsy Grams presented the results of the Grades 3-5 Bullying Survey. The results will be used to assess the effectiveness of the districtwide anti-bullying efforts.

C. Wellness Policy

Betsy Grams explained the federal requirement for schools that participate in federal school lunch programs to adopt a wellness policy. A Wellness Policy Committee has been convened and a proposal should be ready to be presented in the spring.

D. 2006-2007 School Calendar

The Superintendent presented two drafts of the 2006-2007 School Calendar with the difference between them being the day Veteran's Day will be observed. (It was noted that L-S will be observing the holiday on Friday, November 10.) Teacher Workshop days are still being discussed. The consensus of the Committee is to not observe

Veteran's Day on Friday, November 10.

E. FY '07 Budget

The Superintendent had no new information regarding the budget. He has received a few questions from the community regarding programs such as special education, Metco, as well as other questions regarding information recently published in the local newspapers.

Open Forum II

No comments.

III. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet. Jane noted a letter from Dr. Brackett to Susan Pope, Susan Fargo and Pam Resor supporting the Acton and A-B initiative regarding the Ch. 70 Aid Formula change.

IV. Minutes

VOTED: On a motion by Alexa Crowe, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept the minutes of the January 4, 2006 Regular Session as presented. The vote was 3-0 in favor.

V. Personnel Action

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

Member's Forum

Susan Iuliano questioned whether the Sudbury Selectmen and/or FinCom are aware of the Acton and A-B Ch. 70 initiative. Dr. Brackett has informed the Town Manager. He suggested that a School Committee Member contact the Selectmen and inform them of the upcoming meeting.

Debbie Dixson reported she had a Staff Open Forum at Loring School on Special Education matters.

Bob Milley commended Betsy Grams on her presentations of the evening.

VOTED: On a motion by Susan Iuliano, seconded by Alexa Crowe, to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of Collective Bargaining, not to return to Open Session. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The time was 10:40 p.m.

Yes Bill Braun
Yes Jane Santinelli
Yes Alexa Crowe
Yes Susan Iuliano

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary