

Sudbury Public Schools  
Sudbury, Massachusetts  
School Committee Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Present: Susan Iuliano, Chairperson Members: Rich Robison, Jeff Beeler, Bill Braun (@7:45 p.m.) Also Present: Dr. John Brackett, Superintendent, Robert Milley, Assistant Superintendent, Debbie Dixson, SPED Administrator, Mary Will, Director of Business & Finance, Mary Mahoney, SEA  
Susan Iuliano called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

1. Open Forum I  
No comments.

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

2. Bill Schedule  
A bill schedule was presented.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

3. Donations  
VOTED: On a motion by Jeff Beeler, seconded by Rich Robison, to accept a donation of \$100,000 from the Jack & Mae Rosenberg Charitable Trust, received in December, 2007, for use in connection with the autism program. The vote was 3-0 in favor.  
VOTED: On a motion by Rich Robison, seconded by Susan Iuliano, to accept a donation of \$5,000 from Michael & Sherri Murphy, received in December, 2007 for use in the Integrated Pre-School. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

5. Health and Wellness Report
  - a. Implementation of the Student Allergy Policy (4.4.8)  
Carol Bradford, Lead School Nurse, reviewed the goals and objectives of the current policy and its implementation, including an overview of the food policies at the individual schools. Building administrators were on hand to explain the rationale around their school's food policy. Administrators feel the policy is clear, although there are some "pockets of discontent", and there may be some inconsistencies when substitute teachers, substitute nurses, and bus/van drivers are not notified about allergies.
  - b. Implementation of the Wellness: Nutrition and Physical Activity Policy (4.4.9)  
Betsy Grams, Wellness Coordinator, reviewed the District's physical education and nutrition program, including the food service program.
  - c. Comprehensive Growth Screening Program  
Betsy Grams explained that a new initiative has begun to collect BMI (body mass index) data and report the results to parents. She also explained the fitness testing program.
  - d. Results of the Sudbury Middle School Adolescent Behavior Survey  
Betsy Grams reported the results of the 2007 survey.

7. Open Forum II

JoEllen Samojla, Atkinson Lane, commented that the Sudbury Youth Commission has several programs available for Sudbury families that could present some partnership opportunities with the schools.

4. 08-09 School Calendar Discussion

The Superintendent presented 3 drafts of the 2008-2009 calendar for discussion.

6. Discuss FY09 Budget Presentation

The Superintendent reviewed the FY 09 Budget Presentation which will be given to the Finance Committee on Monday, January 14.

8. Communications

As outlined in the Communications Packet.

9. Minutes D Regular Session, December 12, 2007 VOTED: On a motion by Jeff Beeler, seconded by Bill Braun, to accept the minutes of the December 12, 2007 Regular Session as amended. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

10. Personnel Actions

As outlined in the Personnel Packet.

11. Members Forum

Bob Milley commended Betsy Grams and Carol Bradford for their presentation.

Mary Will noted that she distributed an article regarding what's happening in the private sector regarding benefits.

Susan Iuliano, on behalf of the School Committee, welcomed Sheila Cusolito as the new Recording Secretary of the committee and said "good bye" with great appreciation and thanks for 12 years of service as recording secretary to Joanne Bleiler.

12. Executive Session

VOTED: On a motion by Bill Braun, seconded by Rich Robison, to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of collective bargaining with non-union employees, not to return to Open Session. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The time was 11:30 p.m.

Yes Rich Robison

Yes Bill Braun

Yes Susan Iuliano

Yes Jeff Beeler

Submitted by Joanne Bleiler, Recording Secretary