

PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

High School  
December 18, 2007

Members Present: Chairman Kastrinelis, Mrs. Albert, Mrs. Conner, Mr. D'Amore, Mrs. Corradino, Ms. Blades, Dr. Treado, Mr. Atwood and Mrs. Moran

Also Present: Dr. Livingston, Dr. Hart and Ms. McWilliams

Call to Order: Chairman Kastrinelis called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken. The majority vote was 4.6.

Agenda

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mr. Atwood and seconded by Mrs. Albert to accept the agenda. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Minutes

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mr. Atwood and seconded by Mrs. Moran to accept and file the minutes of December 4, 2007. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Correspondence

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mr. Atwood to accept and file the correspondence. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Presentations

Middle School Percussion Ensemble – Zach Field

Zach Field was present with the middle school percussion ensemble and played the William Tell Overture.

Recognitions

Named to the Boston Globe and Boston Herald All Scholastic Teams

Mr. Thornton recognized three student athletes who have been named to the Boston Globe and Boston Herald All Scholastic teams. They were Alanna Poretta, Eric McDonald, and Lyndsay Beaton.

Latitude Gym

Mr. Lever from Latitude Gym was recognized for donating \$11,000 to the high school as a result of the spin-a-thon fundraiser that was done in November to address childhood obesity.

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mrs. Corradino to accept the donation of \$11,000 from Latitude Gym. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Teradyne Inc.

Teradyne Inc. has donated to the Central Service Office one office cubicle complete with desk top, filing cabinets and additional office dividers and office accessories valued at \$5,500.

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mr. Atwood and seconded by Mrs. Conner to accept the donation from Teradyne Inc. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

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#### New Business

##### Budget

##### FY09 Budget/Purpose/Overview/Input

Dr. Livingston discussed the FY09 budget with members. The budget currently represents approximately a 7.5% increase that needs to be discussed by the committee. The main budget drivers of the increase are: staffing, health care, special education, supplemental reserve required by the Financial Control Board Legislation, and miscellaneous expense increases.

Mrs. Corradino spoke briefly about the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Work Place Skills.

##### Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Corradino and seconded by Mrs. Moran to begin this year with the committee meeting for a retreat to clearly define where we see the District going with curriculum/instruction and professional development (21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills). This retreat would take place this spring before the May election. There was an amendment to have the Committee review the agenda for this event ahead of time. The motion was not voted.

##### Motion/Vote

It was moved by Dr. Treado and seconded by Mrs. Moran to table the discussion on the retreat for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills. Motion carried. (for: Kastrinelis, D'Amore, Blades, Moran, Corradino, Treado, Atwood, Albert)(opposed: Conner)(for: 8.2)((opposed: .8)

##### Motion/vote

It was moved by Dr. Treado and seconded by Mrs. Albert to have Mrs. Corradino and Dr. Hart bring an agenda to the School Committee meeting in January for review to see if this (21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills retreat) should be held. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Dr. Livingston gave members the FY09 budget booklet for review for the January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

##### Bylaws

Chairman Kastrinelis asked for clarification on Section 9, part B. Dr. Treado and Mr. Atwood responded. No changes were made.

##### Superintendent Evaluation

##### Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mr. Atwood and seconded by Mrs. Albert to approve the Superintendent's evaluation form as presented. There was an amendment on page one to change chairman to chairperson. Motion carried. (for: Kastrinelis, D'Amore, Blades, Moran, Corradino, Treado, Atwood, Albert)(opposed: Conner)(for: 8.2)((opposed: .8)

##### Motion/Vote

It was moved by Dr. Treado and seconded by Mrs. Moran to request the Superintendent to come back with his version of applicable goals for this school year at the next meeting to be approved by the Committee. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

##### Foreign Language Follow Up

Members received the recommendations format the Foreign Language Task Force. Members had a brief discussion. Dr. Livingston said that these recommendations are in the FY09 budget.

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Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mr. D'Amore and seconded by Mr. Atwood to ask the task force to reconvene to research technology alternatives to implement Asian and Arabic language programs. There was a friendly amendment to have the department heads reconvene and offer an invitation to the task force members. Motion carried. (for: Kastrielis, D'Amore, Blades, Moran, Corradino, Treado, Atwood, Albert)(opposed: Conner)(for: 8.2)((opposed: .8)

Chairman Kastrielis left the meeting. The majority vote changed to 4.0.

High School Internship Program

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mrs. Albert to approve the High School Internship Program as outlined in the packet. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

FY08 Monthly Budget Report/Transfer

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mrs. Albert to accept the transfer due to the amended special education grant. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Executive Session

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mrs. Conner to enter into executive session for the purposes of pending litigation and contract negotiations. Motion carried by roll call vote. (unanimous approval)

Adjournment

Motion/Vote

It was moved by Mrs. Moran and seconded by Mrs. Corradino to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m. Motion carried. (unanimous approval)

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Naffah  
Recording Secretary