

## Haverhill School Committee Special Meeting of May 6, 2010

Mayor James Fiorentini, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Attorney Paul Magliocchetti; Mr. Raymond Sierpina; Mrs. Susan Danehy; Mr. Scott Wood and Ms. Kara Kosmes, Assistant Superintendent for Finance. Mr. Shaun Toohey, President and Dr. Raleigh Buchanan, Superintendent of Schools arrived at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Joseph Bevilacqua, Vice President and Dr. Steven O'Brien, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction were recorded absent.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve Warrant Number EV20100514 (payable 05/14/10) totaling \$386,348.07 as indicated in the agenda material.

All present voted in the affirmative to pay the warrants; motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Attorney Magliocchetti to suspend the rules to pay a legal bill from Attorney William Cox totaling \$4,166.66 as presented at tonight's meeting.

A brief discussion was held regarding the legal bill format. It was noted by Ms. Kosmes that Attorney William Cox would be providing more detail in his future bills (itemized listing of all services). The committee related that this is a prorated amount of the \$25,000 payment that was approved in April.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the legal bill from Attorney William Cox in the amount of \$4,166.66 as presented.

All present voted in the affirmative to pay the legal bill; motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the legal bill from Attorney David Grunebaum in the amount of \$3,307.00 as indicated in the agenda material.

All present voted in the affirmative to pay the legal bill (Cox); motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the use of facilities as indicated in the agenda material.

All present voted in the affirmative to pay the legal bill (Grunebaum); motion passes.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the use of facilities as listed below:

Colin LePage of the Riverside Bradford Baseball (Non-Profit) to use *Hunking Middle School* Gym on Saturday, May 15, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **(if necessary due to rain)** for baseball pictures.

Process Fee:	\$ Waived
Utility Fee:	\$ Waived
Custodial Fee:	\$ 45.00 4 hours (weekend rate) (if used)
Rental Fee:	\$100.00 (if used)

Brian D'Ambrosia of the Pentucket Kiwanis Club of Haverhill (Non-Profit) for the use the *Bradford Elementary School* on May 8, 2010 (rain date May 9, 2010) parking lot and play area for the Annual Soap Box Derby.

Process Fee:	\$ Waived
Utility Fee:	\$ Waived
Custodial Fee:	\$ 45.00 4 hours (weekend rate) (if used)
Rental Fee:	\$ Waived

All present voted in the affirmative to approve the use of facilities as presented; motion passes.

*Approved 05.20.10*

Mr. Sierpina left the room during the discussion of administrative stipends.

Mr. Wood related that the subcommittee had reviewed the issue of a revision to Appendix M of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Haverhill Public Schools' Administrative and Supervisory Group. Dr. Buchanan recommended included three additional stipend positions in this appendix to the contract. It was noted that all individuals who presently occupy these jobs have received the compensation and retirement has been taken out of the stipends. The administration further related these stipends were instituted to compensate for the elimination of administrative positions due to budget shortfalls and that over the past four years approximately one million dollars had been saved.

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the amended Appendix M to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Haverhill Public Schools' Administrative and Supervisory Group.

A roll call vote was held and the results were the following:

Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mr. Sierpina	Absent
Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Wood	Yes
Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

Mr. Sierpina rejoined the meeting.

Mrs. Danehy reported that she and Mr. Sierpina had met to develop Draft School Committee Goals and that it was a work in progress. She asked members who had not yet provided any input to get the information to her as soon as possible so that draft goals could be presented at the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Moved by Mr. Toohey and seconded by Mr. Wood to suspend the rules to allow the Superintendent to make a statement.

Dr. Buchanan informed the committee that he was a finalist for the position of superintendent in the Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District.

Ms. Kosmes presented preliminary information on the FY11 budget to the committee.

The committee advised the administration to present a balanced budget to the committee prior to the first budget review session scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2010.

Dr. Buchanan gave copies of the draft Futures Special Audit document to the committee; Mr. Wood declined his copy due to a potential conflict.

Mayor Fiorentini advised him to obtain a ruling for the Attorney General's Office on this issue.

Moved by Attorney Magliocchetti and seconded by Mr. Toohey to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's contract; the committee will revert to open session only for the purpose of adjournment.

A roll call vote was held and the results were the following:

Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes	Mr. Sierpina	Yes
Mrs. Danehy	Yes	Mr. Wood	No
Mr. Toohey	Yes	Mayor Fiorentini	Yes

Motion passes.

The committee entered executive session at 7:48 p.m.