

Haverhill School Committee Meeting Thursday, October 4, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

This meeting was recorded

Mayor James J. Fiorentini opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Mr. Joseph Bevilacqua (left at 8:15 p.m.), Attorney Paul Magliocchetti, Mrs. Susan Danehy, Mr. Raymond Sierpina, Mr. Scott Wood, Mr. James F. Scully, Superintendent of Schools, Ms Kara Kosmes, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, and Dr. Mary Malone, Assistant Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Shaun Toohey was recorded as absent (arrived at 7:03 p.m.).

Mayor Fiorentini led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Participation

Kate Martin, 21 Germain Avenue, commented on adopting the wellness policy emphasizing how crucially important it was for children and encouraged members to support the policy.

Presentation - Introduction of YMCA Executive Director Tracy Fuller to discuss Annual Recognition Event – Mr. Bevilacqua.

Mr. Bevilacqua introduced Tracy Fuller who informed members of the annual teacher recognition event on Wednesday October 24 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations will be accepted through the end of next week for greater Haverhill educators. Members were invited to attend.

Communication and Reports:

Student Advisory Council Report – Haley Peabody

Haley indicated the football game has been moved to October 6th at 2:30 p.m. due to the EEE situation. The high school café area picnic tables are backordered and should be installed in the spring. Homecoming and Sprit Week have been broken up into two weeks. The bonfire, football game and dance will be held the second week with other activities the first.

Superintendent's Comments/Reports

Introduction of School Physician

The Superintendent indicated the reorganizing of the school health services and thanked Dr. Rosenbloom for the years he has served for the city and community. To keep in line with the Department of Public Health changes and Department of Education, Dr. John Maddox will now serve as the schools' physician. Dr. Maddox expressed his enthusiasm in accepting this interesting and exciting opportunity in serving as physician to the children.

Mr. Bevilacqua asked to recognize Dr. Rosenbloom for his years of service at a future meeting.

Day-Residential Sped Placement Costs

Mr. Scully reviewed the informational packet indicating servicing fewer numbers of Sped students with higher costs as reflected in the spreadsheet. They are reviewing and using this information for the upcoming budget.

Haverhill Free & Reduced Lunch Comparisons

Mr. Scully referenced the free and reduced comparison chart indication they have increased 2.1%. These numbers are going up and the information is for review.

MCAS Update

The Superintendent provided information for review relative to the past meetings presentation.

Chapter 70 Update

The Superintendent noted they have received an increase of \$94,575 from the Chapter 70 funds. The monies will be disbursed to the Curriculum Enrichment Program of the Discovery Club which is a match, to fund a Director of Student and Staff Services position, and \$20,000 to the salary reserve account. Mr. Scully is incorporating two positions into one with a net cost this year of \$38,000. The position will

oversee all personnel and student services issues including the services supplied to students, home school tutoring, and 504 special services to students and will report directly to the Superintendent. He felt there is no need for a full time personnel director and will be moving a senior clerk's position out of personnel for a savings of \$42,000. Members questioned the functions Mrs. Carrington is overseeing. The Superintendent stated she will continue to work with benefits and workers compensation for the schools. He was asked to revisit the position at the end of the year.

Moved by Attorney Magliocchetti and seconded by Mr. Bevilacqua to approve the Chapter 70 allocation. A roll call vote was held with the following results:

Mr. Sierpina Yes Mr. Toohey No Mr. Wood No Mr. Bevilacqua Yes Attorney Magliocchetti Yes Mrs. Danehy Yes

Mayor Fiorentini No

Motion passes.

Parent Curriculum Night – Tuesday, October 16, 2012

The Superintendent invited members to the event.

Go Public Event – Thursday, October 18, 2012

Representative Dempsey will be speaking on the on value of public education above the secondary level and its benefits.

School Committee Communications:

Mr. Sierpina

Silver Hill Horace Mann Charter School MCAS Results (in public school format)

Mr. Sierpina asked to have the scores delineated into categories in order to compare them to the other schools. The Superintendent will forward the information.

Workshops offered to staff on September 26

Mr. Sierpina received his report today and needs no further discussion.

Consultants, Coaches, Mentors, a definition of each and how budgeted

Dr. Malone stated the consultants provide PD under grants, mentors are teachers who are grant funded, and coaches are experts in math and ELA who are brought into the schools. Coaches work up to 19 hours per week.

Snow/Ice Removal – out to bid?

This will be going out to bid for the following winter. The majority of plowing is done by private contractors.

Subcommittee Reports.

No reports at this time.

Old Business:

Wellness Policy – Updated Version (tabled at the 9.20.12 meeting).

The Superintendent referenced the wellness committee who reviewed the state requirements and have developed the policy. It has been reviewed by DOE and legal counsel.

Members commented on:

- Sodium levels in foods
- Fundraisers with bake sales being allowed in some schools
- Food service adhering to this policy
- Physical activity portion with recess reduced to one per day
- Phys Ed once per week every fifth day

- Incorporating gymnastics in the future
- Not to take away recess as a punishment
- The need for cardio activity to be safely implemented into the program; jumping rope
- Removal of sugary drinks
- Encouraging children to walk or bike to school
- · Revisiting page 8 regarding physical activity, running laps, pushups; some students physically challenged
- Cancelling recess to have more time on learning or for punishment
- Add language that children are not to be prohibited from outside
- To add language "recess time will not be cancelled and can be in a limited fashion".

Moved by Attorney Magliocchetti and seconded by Mr. Toohey to amend the language to read "physical activity; e. g., running laps, push ups will not be used as a form of punishment, if the student is not capable of performing said physical activity.

It was questioned as to who will decide and identify what student is physically not capable of doing push ups. The Superintendent recommended bringing this back to the wellness committee.

Mr. Toohey withdrew his second and moved to send it back to the wellness committee. Attorney Magliocchetti withdrew his original motion.

This item was not removed from the table and will be kept on table and sent back to the wellness committee. This item will be put on the next agenda.

Recommendation for Policy Review by MASC - Mr. Scully.

Mr. Scully indicated the purpose of this is to get their policies in line with state regulations, policies updated legally and put into proper formats. The Chair of the policy committee, Attorney Magliocchetti, will be the liaison

Moved by Mrs. Danehy and seconded by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve the \$10,500 for the Policy Review by MASC. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

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

Motion passes.

New Business:

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve Warrant Number EV20121004A totaling \$463,272.12 and Warrant Number EV20121012A totaling \$369,210.22. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

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

Motion passes.

Approval of Consultant Contract for School Physician

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve the contract for school physician. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

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

Motion passes.

Items by Consensus.

Approval of field trip request(s):

- Brenda Simblaris, HHS, Grades 9-12, April 10-19, 2013, Germany, \$2,949.00
- Andrea Saws, HHS, Grade 11, April 18-24, 2013, New York City, \$900.00

Approval of the Use of Facilities:

Requested by Joe Torrisi of the Pentucket Youth Basketball for the use of the Bradford Elementary Gym on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 thru February 13, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$20.00 per hour
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$100.00

 Requested by Diane Fasulo of the Star Special Olympic for the use of the Bradford Elementary Gym on Tuesdays, November 13, 2012 thru March 19, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Clint Clay of the Haverhill YMCA for the use of the Consentino School on Monday October 29, 2012 and Wednesday November 2, 2012 thru Monday January 14, 2013 and Wednesday January 16, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$* Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Lisa Lariviere/Mary Capolupo/Deb DeAngeli of All That Cheer and Tumble for the use of the Haverhill High School for March 23, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for Cheering Competition.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$20.00 per hour
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$100.00

 Requested by Vinny Ouellette of the Haverhill Recreation for the use of the Hunking Gym on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 thru March 15, 2013 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Clint Clay of the Haverhill YMCA for the use of the Nettle School on Wednesday October 31, 2012, Thursday, November 1, 2012, Friday, November 2, 2012 thru Wednesday, January 16, 2013 Thursday, January 17, 2013, Friday, January 19, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Clint Clay of the Haverhill YMCA for the use of the Nettle School on Saturday, November 3, 2012 thru Saturday, January 19, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$45.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

Requested by Vinny Ouellette of the Haverhill Recreation Depart for the use of the Pentucket Lake Gym on Saturday, November 3, 2012 thru January 26, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Girls Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00
Utility Fee: \$*Waived
Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour
Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Clint Clay of the Haverhill YMCA for the use of the Pentucket Lake Gym on Tuesday, October 30, 2012, Thursday, November 1, 2012, Friday November 2, 2012 thru Tuesday, January 15, 2013, Thursday, January 17, 2013, Friday, January 18, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for Basketball.

Process Fee: \$10.00 Utility Fee: \$*Waived Custodial Fee \$30.00 per hour Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

 Requested by Heather DelleChiaie of the Walnut Square School PTO for the use of the Walnut Square School Playground (outside of the building) for October 20, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for Fall Festival.

Process Fee: \$10.00 Utility Fee: \$*Waived Rental Fee: \$*Waived

Fee waived Haverhill Students 100%

Requested by James Quinn, Chris Canney, Bob Fergurson of the Haverhill High Bridgewater/Fred Noone Scholarship Funds for the use of the Nettle Gym from Sunday, October 6, 2012 thru June 16, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Men's Basketball.

Process Fee: \$ **Waived
Utility Fee: \$ **Waived
Custodial Fee \$ **Waived
Rental Fee: \$ **Waived

** Monies collected for Student Scholarships (Bridgewater and Fred Noone)

are awarded between \$500.00 and \$1000.00 per year.

 Requested by Sue Clarke of the Boston Area Scrap Fanatics for the use of the Nettle Middle School Cafeteria on Saturday, November 3, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for Scrapbooking/Paper crafts.

Process Fee: \$ **Waived
Utility Fee: \$ **Waived
Custodial Fee \$ **Waived
Rental Fee: \$ **Waived
**Please see attached Letter from Mike Rossi.

Approval of legal bills for Attorney Grunebaum totaling \$765.00

Moved by Mr. Sierpina and seconded by Mr. Toohey to approve Items A, B, and C. A roll call vote was held with the following results.

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

Motion passes.

Executive Session/Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. Toohey to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. A verbal vote indicated all in favor.

List of Documents: School Committee Agenda; Flyer for YMCA Educator Recognition Event; Special Education Tuition Costs; Haverhill Free-Reduced Lunch Comparison – October 1, 2012; Information on Parent Curriculum Night; Information on Go Public Event; Agenda request from Mr. Sierpina; Policy Update – Wellness Policy; MASC Policy Review Recommendation; Warrant Number EV20121004A totaling \$463,272.12 and Warrant Number EV20121012A totaling \$369,210.22; Consultant Contract for School Physician; Field Trip Requests; use of facilities; legal bills from Attorney Grunebaum