



# *Town of Littleton School Committee*

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## **SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES September 20, 2007 7:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Charlie Ellis  
Paul Avella  
Nancy Mizzoni  
Mike Fontanella

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diane Bemis  
Steve Mark  
Marilyn Fedele  
Amber Cardoos

**ABSENT:** Shawna Stea

### **CALL TO ORDER (7:34)**

- A. Charlie Ellis called the meeting to order.
- B. On a motion by Paul Avella and seconded by Mike Fontanella, it was voted to approve the Consent Agenda. (AYE: Unanimous)

### **INTERESTED CITIZENS**

- A. Betsy Bohling -- Thank you for the education Littleton has provided to her son Ernie Carozza. He was well prepared for RPI. Littleton is a wonderful place for our kids going to school.
- B. Jolanta Davis -- Attended meeting in May on curriculum enhancements. She wanted to know if there is a follow-up. An Elementary Curriculum Enhancement update will be given.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- A. Personnel Update: Dr. Diane Bemis gave an update on the latest resignations and new hires.
- B. On a motion by Paul Avella, seconded by Mike Fontanella, it was voted to renew membership for another year with the Suburban Coalition. (AYE: Unanimous)
- C. Steve Mark gave an update on school inspections. No major findings. Working on some strategies to address some of the Fire Department concerns at Russell Street.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Paul Avella gave a Municipal Building Committee update. Occupancy permit for the gymnasium has been given. The punch list is continuing.

- B. Budget Update – Getting ready to re-energize; start to meet in the next week or two. Nothing new to report at this time. Charlie Ellis stated that they are pleased with the relationship with Fincom. We carried forward about \$500,000 in choice and circuit breaker funds.
- C. Safety and Security Subcommittee – At the last meeting took the policies from the Policy Book that related to Safety and Security. At the next meeting to will review policies Fire and Police Departments. Will also provide a list of all improvements at next meeting.
- D. Policy Subcommittee – nothing to report at this time.
- E. Middle School Dedication – Nothing to report at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Student Retention Committee – Dr. GeriLyn Ajemian provided a general overview with emphasis on broad level district result of parent opinion of strengths and weaknesses. Detailed information will be provided to each school.
- B. McKenna Field Proposal – Open forum scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 4, one hour before the next School Committee Meeting, at the new Middle School upstairs in the Library, to review the policy FBF on naming property and facilities.
- C. Athletic Hall of Fame – Invite Craig Gruskowski to our October 4 meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

- A. On a motion by Mike Fontanella and seconded by Paul Avella, it was voted to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. (AYE: Unanimous)