



# Town of Littleton School Committee

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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES February 7, 2008 7:30 PM

**PRESENT:** Charlie Ellis  
Paul Avella  
Shawna Stea  
Nancy Mizzoni (7:35)  
**ABSENT:** Mike Fontanella

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

### **CALL TO ORDER (7:32 PM)**

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

### **INTERESTED CITIZENS**

- A. Mark Saucier, President, Littleton Rotary Club, presented on update on what Rotary International is; how the Littleton Rotary Club fits in, and the things that they do for the students in the Littleton schools. Very positive about the Wii project at the high school working with the elderly.

### **RECOGNITION**

- A. Littleton Education Fund found a benefactor for graphing calculators for the Middle School.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- A. High School Student Update: Dana Mulone was awarded an All State Music opportunity and will be performing at Symphony Hall. The High School play this year is Cabaret, and things are starting up. The Humanitarian Club is looking for toys. The National Honor Society is taking over the American Cancer Society's Daffodil Days at the High School.
- B. Dr. Diane Bemis gave a personnel update.
- C. John Overcash presented his quarterly Cafeteria update. At the end of December we were in the black.
- D. Energy Ed RFP: The bids are due back February 11; distributed to three interested companies; one has contacted us and withdrawn.

*Our mission is to inspire and sustain learning and achievement, preparing each student for the challenges of life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.*

- E. EQA Audit: Dr. GeriLyn Ajemian gave an update on the action plan in response to the EQA audit.
- F. Athletic Update: Athletic Director, Mike Lynn brought us update on indoor track which has gone very well with 38 students participating. He would like to see the football field given a name. He would like to see it called Alumni Field. What would it take to name this Alumni Field? We could put the name on the scoreboard, an identity. He also proposed moving girls' tennis to club status and add girls lacrosse for 2009. Transportation is very expensive for tennis and there is strong interest in lacrosse. The Athletic Director is to come back with a plan for changes.
- G. Full Day Kindergarten Tuition: Rich Faherty presented his request for full day Kindergarten tuition. Shawna Stea made a motion to accept the recommended fee of \$3967, seconded by Nancy Mizzoni. Motion did not carry. On a motion by Shawna Stea and seconded by Paul Avella, it was voted to send a letter to parents that the tuition does not go above \$3967 with the possibility of it being reduced after final numbers are in. (AYE: Unanimous)
- H. Parent Seminar-Driver Safety: The second in a series will be held on February 28, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Kiva Room at the High School. Katie LeClerc is coming back to present an Internet Safety Program to the Middle School and High School students.
- I. Update of CPR (Coordinated Program Review) Compliance: Dianna Peterson brought us up to date stating that we were out of compliance but we are getting back on track.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Building Subcommittee: Nothing to report.
- B. Budget Subcommittee: Meeting Tuesday with FINCOM. They are doing everything they can to help us through the budget process.
- C. Safety and Security Subcommittee: Meeting scheduled for February 12 at 3:30 p.m. regarding schools safety policies.
- D. Policy Subcommittee: Nothing to report.
- E. Technology Committee: Committee has been formed and moving forward with the start of meetings.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. New Custodial Service: Based on a low bid, according to MA General Law 30B, recommending MP Building Services. On a motion by Paul Avella seconded by Shawna Stea, it was voted to award this three year contract to MP Building Services. (AYE: Unanimous)
- B. MSBA (Massachusetts School Building Authority): Possible renovations for the Russell Street School. The school needs some help; the building is sound structurally. New rules and regulations moved us to a second level. May have to go to the May Town Meeting to approve a feasibility study.

### **INTERESTED CITIZENS**

- A. Carla Smith: Shaker Lane parent concerned about the Chapter 70 funding and where it should be spent and also kindergarten fees.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- A. On a motion by Paul Avella and seconded by Shawna Stea, it was voted to adjourn at 10:14 p.m. (AYE: Unanimous)

