

North Andover School Committee

Date: August 27, 2008

Location: Superintendent's Conference Room

Present: Members Allen, Nobile, Limpert and Whidden. Superintendent Marini, Assistant Superintendent Hutchinson and Mr. Fortado.

Called Whidden called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

Dr. Marini informed the Committee that the technology staff continues to work on the internet and phone issues at the central office.

FY09 Budget Item

Dr. Marini discussed Dr. Scuzzarella's request to hire an additional .2 English teacher to alleviate scheduling issues at the high school. He noted that the addition of .2 would make the current teacher eligible for health benefits and that the Town Manager had been informed of the possibility of an additional cost for health benefits.

Dr. Marini stated that he expects to have a report on turnover savings in early September.

At the request of the Committee Dr. Marini stated that he will provide information on potential legal costs for pending litigation, negotiations, and the energy contract review.

Mr. Limpert noted that the Superintendent Search is underfunded and additional funding will need to be a priority.

In response to a question from the Committee Mr. Fortado stated that he did not anticipate any additional state funding.

Mr. Nobile moved to approve the addition of .2 staffing at the high school for the position described by Dr. Marini. Ms. Allen seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 Ms. Allen, Mr. Limpert, Mr. Nobile and Ms. Whidden

Ms. Crescitelli asked for the status of the assignment of Thomson students under NCLB school choice.

Dr. Marini stated that it was his goal to complete calls to parents today notifying them of their school choice assignment.

Ms. Gleed asked that the school department respond to North Andover United's request to use the high school auditorium for a forum in October.

Mr. Fortado stated that he has been waiting for the high school to confirm the requested date is available. He stated that he will contact the high school to get confirmation and call Ms. Gleed with the information.

Adjourn

At 3:30 Mr. Nobile moved to adjourn. Ms. Allen seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 Ms. Allen, Mr. Limpert, Mr. Nobile and Ms. Whidden.

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