

North Andover Public Schools
School Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday August 8, 2006

Place: North Andover High School Auditorium

Present: Alfred Perry, Chairman, Assistant Chairman, Dr. Charles Ormsby, Tim Pybus, William Kelly, and Barbara Whidden

Also Present: Dr. Daniel O'Connor, Interim Superintendent, Paul Szymanski, Director of Management Support Services and Members of the school department and the community.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Al Perry called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.
2. Recommended Action:
 - o Warrants of Bills Payable
 - o Public InputA member of the public expressed concerns about the possibility of the Atkinson and the Kittredge Schools combining.
She was reassured that this would be happening for this year.
3. Report of Auditor – Dan Sullivan
Mr. Sullivan of Sullivan, Rogers and Co. presented his preliminary report of the audit of the revolving accounts Full-day Kindergarten, Preschool Cubs, Pentucket Regional Schools, Transportation, Community Programs, Cafeteria, Athletics.
Mr. Sullivan gave his suggestions for future accounting practices.

Barbara Whidden motioned to accept the accountants report. Tim Pybus seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed 5-0

Barbara Whidden motioned to accept the auditors recommendation to transfer any unused appropriation from the School's fiscal year 2006 operating budget and from other available special revenue funds under its jurisdiction to provide funding for these salaries and expenses and for the entire accumulative deficit of the cafeteria Revolving Fund. Further, a full accounting will be made available to the school committee, by the Town Accountant, after said transfers have been made. Bill Kelly seconded the motion. Dr. Ormsby motioned to amend subject to a determination by town council that such transfer is consistent with applicable law. Seconded by Bill Kelly. Roll Call Chairman Al Perry, No, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, No, Bill Kelly, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Barbara Whidden motioned to accept her previous motion subject to the amendment Roll Call Chairman Al Perry, No, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, No, Bill Kelly, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes.

- o School Lunch Account Update

Paul Szymanski gave an update on School Lunch Accounts

- Superintendent's Update
Dr. O'Connor gave an update on the Middle School/High School busing

- Thomson School Building Project Update
Bill Kelly made a motion to suspend the rules. Barbara Whidden seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, No, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 4-1

Bill Kelly made a motion to accept the school building recommendation of an air conditioning system to the Thomson School within the architect recommendation of \$90,000 - \$ 100,000. Barbara Whidden seconded the motion. Roll Call vote Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 5-0

- Reductions: Positions vs. Personnel
A report was presented showing what the High School, Middle School and Elementary School will look like. The report showed the difference between positions and personnel.

- Outlook of Opening Day, September 2006
Mrs. Nicholson gave an update on the impact of the cuts made to the High School
Mrs. McQuade gave an update on the impact of the cuts made to the Middle School.
John McAleer and the elementary principals gave the elementary update.

There was a discussion

Bill Kelly made a motion to direct the superintendent to use the \$192,000. to restore positions. Two at the High School, Two at the Middle School, and Two at the Elementary School. Motion was seconded by Dr. Ormsby. Roll Call vote. Roll Call vote Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Old Business

- School Committee Discussion- Budget Resolutions
- Update on Schedule for Reporting Monthly Financials- Dr. O'Connor reported that a schedule is being worked on for the future.
- Employee Health Insurance Increase
Dr. O'Connor asked the committee to make sure that non-union employees, who are not getting their step increase in pay this year, be reimbursed for the increase in health insurance insuring that they do not take a pay reduction this year.
- Superintendent's Contract –
Bill Kelly made a motion to accept the superintendent's contract. Tim Pybus seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 5-0.

5. New Business

- o Award of Food Services Contracts

Paul Szymanski presented the food services contract for approval.

Tim Pybus made a motion to accept the café bid summary for FY 07 as written. Barbara Whidden seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Al Perry requested a School Committee meeting be scheduled for Sept 7, 2006.

6. Other Business

None

Bill Kelly made a motion to adjourn. Tim Pybus seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Chairman Al Perry, Yes, Vice- Chair Bill Kelly, Yes, Dr. Ormsby, Yes, Tim Pybus, Yes, Barbara Whidden, Yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:34 p.m.