

IV. Sub-Committee Discussion:

A Policy Sub-Committee Update.

Danielle Souza distributed a revised copy of the Use of Facilities Policy. A review and discussion was held pertaining to this policy revision. After review and discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION by Christopher Desjardins and seconded by Brian Winslow to approve the revised Use of Facilities Policy Files KF-E and KFE-1 as reviewed and amended this evening. 4 members approved, 1 member (A. Sawabi) absent. Motion Carries.

Danielle Souza will forward these policy revisions to Kathleen Parmenter for revision in the master policy files.

Policy and Procedures Format:

Danielle Souza presented a recommended Policy and Procedures Format for the School Committee' review and adoption. After a review of this document, the School Committee approved it for placement into the Ware School District's Master Policy Record. Danielle Souza will provide Kathleen Parmenter with this adopted policy so she can format it and place it into the Master Policy Record accordingly.

Policy References to HIV and AIDS – Policy JLCCA-R:

Danielle Souza reported that Jane Saletnik (School Nurse) has recommended that references to HIV and Aids be deleted from this policy because no single communicable disease should be referenced. After discussion, Danielle Souza stated that she would review this situation with legal counsel.

The next meetings of the Policy Review Sub-Committee were scheduled for 5:00 p.m. in the Ware Junior-Senior High School Library on the following dates:

- March 16, 2010
- March 30, 2010

B. School Choice Sub-Committee Update.

Christopher Desjardins reported that he and Brian Winslow met with representatives from the Easthampton School Committee to review the school choice law for possible recommended changes. He stated that there were no recommended changes resulting from this meeting. He stated that he is working on having the North Brookfield School Committee meet with him and Brian at their next meeting. He will also be contacting school districts that didn't respond to his first request to meet. He stated that we would now look at ideas to address the school choice problem rather than change the school choice law. He concluded by stating that he

encourages anyone to contact us regarding suggestions to address the school choice problem.

V. Reports/Updates:

A Report from Student Council Member.

There was no report presented this evening.

B. Report from the Superintendent.

In summary, Superintendent Beach reported the following:

- The Ware High School MCAS retests started on Monday with the MCAS English/Language Arts to be held in March. A vocabulary word of the day will be placed in the marquee in front of the school.
- The 7th and 8th grade dance in to be held on Friday and is sponsored by the Junior PTSSA.
- The Community Reading Day for grades K-6 is to be held next Tuesday. Appreciation is extended to the many community members who are participating.
- 75% of the 3rd grades returned their vacation MCAS practice packets.
- The 2nd graders will be going on a field trip to the Eric Carle Museum next week.
- The Massachusetts English Proficiency Assessment testing begins on March 3rd and is district-wide.
- The girls' basketball team had a successful quarter final win over New Leadership and will be playing Hopkinton tomorrow evening.
- Enrollment update since the February 3, 2010 meeting were one female in grade 12 who moved into the State and one male in grade 1 who moved into the State.

She School Committee requested an update regarding the chaperones all being CORI checked for the overnight ski trip. Superintendent Beach will report her findings to the members of the School Committee.

VI. Old/Unfinished Business.

There was no old/unfinished business this evening.

VII. New Business.

B. NEASC Mission and Expectations for Student Learning – Lucille Brindisi.

Principal Lucille Brindisi made referenced to the October 20, 2004 Mission Statement and Student Expectations (SEE ATTACHED). She stated that there was

a lot of work that was originally undertaken to prepare these documents. She has asked the staff and faculty for recommended changes to which no changes to the existing document were recommended. She asked the members of the School Committee to review these documents and respond back to her with any recommended changes.

C. Transfer of Funds Requests.

Reference was made to Andy Paquette's request to transfer requests dated 2/11/10 (SEE ATTACHED). After a review and discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION by Christopher Desjardins and seconded by Danielle Souza that the Ware School Committee approves the transfer of funds requests submitted this evening. (SEE ATTACHED). 4 members approved, 1 member (A. Sawabi) absent. Motion Carries.

The School Committee requested that Andy Paquette present them an accounting of the revolving accounts to which Superintendent Beach stated that the request would be arranged.

VIII. Communications.

There were no communications presented this evening.

MOTION by Christopher Desjardins and seconded by Brian Winslow to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M. 4 members approved, 1 member (A. Sawabi) absent. Motion Carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Mary Elizabeth Beach
Superintendent of Schools

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