

Time-Place: An open session of the Saugus School Committee was held this date at the Roby School Building. The meeting was called to 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	present
	Mr. Leuci	present
	Ms. Reed	present
	Mrs. Wilson	present
	Mr. Malone	present

Superintendent Langlois and Ms. Joyce were present.

Ms. Reed moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously
VOTED: to adjourn the open session and enter into executive session for the purpose of general privacy issues, personnel issues, and collective bargaining issues.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes
	Ms. Reed	yes
	Mrs. Wilson	yes
	Mr. Malone	yes

The meeting was called back to order at 7:12 p.m.

Minutes for Approval:

Mr. Doucette moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously
VOTED: to approve the minutes of July 23, 2009 Open Session as presented.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes
	Ms. Reed	yes
	Mrs. Wilson	yes
	Mr. Malone	yes

Mr. Leuci moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously
VOTED: to approve the Minutes of August 20, 2009 Open Session as presented.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes
	Ms. Reed	yes
	Mrs. Wilson	yes
	Mr. Malone	yes

Mr. Doucette, moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously
VOTED: to table the Minutes of August 20, 2009 Executive Session

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes

Ms. Reed	yes
Mrs. Wilson	yes
Mr. Malone	yes

Voting of Warrants:

Mr. Doucette moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously VOTED: to approve the bill schedule as outlined in Mr. Rippin's memo dated September 10, 2009 in the amount of \$186,722.52.

Student Representative:

Stephanie Parella, member of the senior class, reported on the following:

- Opening of school.
- All sports started this week.
- Founders Day is Saturday, September 12th

Superintendent's Report:

School Committee Minutes: Superintendent Langlois reported that the minutes will be posted on the new school department web page.

Opening of School: Superintendent Langlois reported that the opening of school went well. Curriculum maps for all subjects K-12 were implemented, full day kindergarten is up and running, fine arts and wellness has been restored in the elementary grades, literacy support has been provided at the elementary schools, technology integration and access across the spectrum is complete, library media and foreign language exists at the middle school, student support services have been extended and a new web page for the district is up and running.

The Welcome Back Day for teachers was positive. The teachers were greeted by School Committee members Mr. Leuci and Mr. Doucette, a video snippet called "Great Teachers, Great Teaching" was provided by two students, Courtney McTague and Selena Jakupovic, and the Superintendent welcomed new staff and presented highlights of FY09 and goals for FY10. Representatives from school-business partner, Wheelabrator addressed the staff. They presented gifts of brief cases to all teachers. IRA Motors contributed to the breakfast.

A new teacher orientation was held for 30 new staff members.

Additional \$100,000 to address MCAS AYP at Belmonte: The Superintendent reported that the Town Manager has submitted an article for Town Meeting to appropriate an additional \$100,000 to address our MCAS AYP issues at the Belmonte Middle School. Discussion was held regarding how the \$100,000 would be put to use at the Belmonte Middle School.

District Curriculum Accommodation Plan: The Superintendent recognized and acknowledged the effort of Ms. Cynthia Joyce, Executive Director of Pupil Personnel Services, for her hard work in the development and publication of the District Curriculum Accommodation Plan. DCAP is a resource guide for teachers, principals, and student support services personnel, paraprofessionals, and parents to meet the needs of all learners of the Saugus School District Learning Community.

Ms. Joyce noted that this plan became part of the general laws in the year 2000.

Warrant Articles: The Superintendent reported that two articles have been inserted in the next special town meeting as requested by the School Committee requesting a transfer of available funds in a targeted stabilization account created for student athletics and activities as well as the release of a sum of money from said account for such use as in accordance with the plan provided by the Saugus School Department.

It was noted that there are people on town meeting who are very supportive of this.

Impact of the Charter Proposal on our Schools: the Superintendent reported that the district will host a series of special events this year. Impact of the Charter Proposal on our Schools will be provided on September 29th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Roby Building. Members of the school community and school councils are encouraged to attend.

Update by the Executive Director of Finance and Operations: Mr. Rippin, Executive Director of Finance and Operations provided an update of facilities in the district. He reported that each building in the district has received much needed attention and improvement. Mr. Rippin reported that Ralph Materese and the DPW played a big part in this.

Donation of Backpacks: Mr. Ed Murray, from the Friends of Breakheart Reservation, and his wife donated 40 backpacks, which were delivered to needy families so they would have everything they needed for the start of school.

MASC/MASS Joint Conference: The Superintendent will be attending the annual joint conference sponsored by the MASC-MASS for Massachusetts School Committee and Superintendents. The conference is being held at the Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis on November 18-21. Any Committee member interested in attending may contact Ms. McNeil for registration.

Handouts/Information: The following handouts were included in the packet:

- Influenza Guidance for Schools and Information for Parents
- NSBA Annual Notice-Notices to Parents and Public Under NCLB
- MASC/MASS Joint Conference Itinerary
- NEASC School Accreditation
- Superintendent Meeting Calendar for 2009-2010
- DESE Bulletin: MA Public School SAT Results
- September 21, 2009 Special Town Meeting Warrants
- ACT – College Readiness Letter for Saugus School District

Mr. Leuci thanked the Superintendent for getting the teachers for the Belmonte Middle School.

Mr. Leuci said that everyone agreed that the user fees need to be reduced.

Report of Subcommittees:

Building Subcommittee: Mr. Leuci reported that the building subcommittee met with the Town Manager and an engineer. A discussion was held regarding the building needs. The engineer will prepare a recommendation with a cost figure. They also discussed the school building assistance program.

Old Business:

Field Trip Request: Mr. Fontanella, history teacher at the high school, was present to answer questions regarding a student field trip to Russia April 16-24, 2010. He presented the School Committee members with an itinerary and liability agreement. He gave an overview of the trip. There will be between 6-12 students on the trip with 2 chaperones.

Mr. Doucette moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously VOTED: to approve the school field trip to Russia April 16-24, 2010 as outlined in the itinerary.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes
	Ms. Reed	yes
	Mrs. Wilson	yes
	Mr. Malone	yes

School Committee Meeting Schedule: The Superintendent requested feedback on the School Committee Meeting Schedule for 2009-2010 with regards to changes relative to meeting dates scheduled on holidays and during school vacation.

Mr. Reed noted that past practice is to set dates up to the election and have the new committee set the dates for the rest of the calendar.

They will need to set a meeting date for November 5 for an organizational meeting.

New Business:

Job Position: The Superintendent recommends for approval the job position for technical assistant as included in the packet. The position will be primary to the elementary-middle school technical support. The position will be funded under technology appropriations in the FY10 budget. A job description was included in the packet.

Mr. Leuci moved, Mr. Malone seconded and it was unanimously VOTED: to approve the job position for a technical assistant as included in the packet.

Roll Call:	Mr. Doucette	yes
	Mr. Leuci	yes
	Ms. Reed	yes
	Mrs. Wilson	yes
	Mr. Malone	yes