

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(Official Report)

Special Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Called by Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves, in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 3, of the Rules of the School Committee for 6:00 p.m. to discuss the evaluation tool for the Superintendent of Schools.

Members Present: Mr. Fantini, Mr. Grassi, Mr. Harding, Ms. Nolan, Mr. Schuster, Ms. Walser, Mayor Reeves

A quorum of the School Committee being present, the Chair convened the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Mayor Reeves in the Chair.

The Chair explained the process for the evening and entertained Public Testimony.

The following individuals were heard regarding the contract and evaluation of the Superintendent:

- Trudy Regan, Pearl St.
- Catherine Sullivan, Notre Dame Ave.
- Heather Hoffman, Hurley St.
- Paul Toner, Newman St.
- Richard Freierman, R.C. Kelly St.

The Chair recognized and welcomed Councillors Galluccio, Simmons and Kelly and former School Committee member Lummis.

- Lawrence Adkins, Hayes St.
- Deb Gallagher, Cogswell Ave.
- Andrew Farrar, Lawrence St.
- Trina Abbott, Walden St.
- Dan Monahan, Lexington Ave.
- Tad Sudnick, science teacher, Brooks St., Medford

On a motion by Mr. Harding, it was voted to suspend the Rules to allow Mr. Sudnick additional time to speak.

- Ben Lummis, Walden St.

On a motion by Ms. Walser, it was voted to suspend the Rules to allow Mr. Lummis additional time to speak.

- Jane Donohue, Crescent St.
- Kathy Greeley, Erie St.

On a motion by Ms. Nolan, it was voted to suspend the Rules to allow Ms. Greeley additional time to speak. On a motion by Mr. Grassi, it was voted to suspend the Rules to allow all speakers additional time to speak.

- Denise Simmons, Harvard St.

- Jack Haverty, Ellsworth Ave.
- Kathy Reddick, President, NAACP, Broadway
- Anthony Galluccio, Buckingham St.
- Ariadne Valsamis, Fayerweather St.
- Laurie Sheffield, Brookline St.
- Craig Kelley, St. Gerard Terr.
- Wadie Geraigery, Upland Rd.

On a motion by Ms. Nolan, seconded by Mr. Schuster, it was voted to close Public Testimony.

Members discussed the evaluation instrument and the process for the evaluation.

The Chair entertained a motion to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of conducting strategy preparation for contract negotiations with non-union personnel. On a motion by Mr. Schuster, seconded by Mr. Harding, on the following roll call, it was voted to convene in Executive Session for the purpose stated: Ms. Nolan YEA, Mr. Schuster YEA, Ms. Walser YEA, Mr. Fantini YEA, Mr. Grassi YEA, Mr. Harding YEA, Mayor Reeves YEA. The Chair announced that no votes will be taken except on a motion to adjourn and that the Committee will not reconvene in Open Session.

On a motion by Mr. Schuster, seconded by Ms. Nolan, it was voted to suspend the Rules to extend the meeting past 10:00 p.m.

Executive Session

Members Present: Mr. Fantini, Mr. Grassi, Mr. Harding, Ms. Nolan, Mr. Schuster, Ms. Walser,
Mayor Reeves

Mayor Reeves in the Chair.

Also Present: Maureen MacFarlane, Legal Counsel

Members and Attorney MacFarlane discussed strategy for negotiating the Superintendent's employment contract and his upcoming evaluation.

On a motion by Mr. Fantini, seconded by Ms. Walser, it was voted to adjourn (10:25 p.m.).

Adjourned
Marilyn Y. Bradshaw
Executive Secretary to the School Committee