

**MINUTES  
WOONSOCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2005  
7:00 P.M. -OPEN SESSION  
WACTC-ROOM 303  
MULTI-MEDIA ROOM**

**Call to Order at 7:04 P.M.**

**Moment of Silence**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

Marc Dubois-Chairman	Present
Michael Bileau-Vice Chairman	Absent
Allen Auclair	Present
John Ward	Absent
Michelle Williams	Present

There was no Closed Session as listed because there was nothing to update regarding Promac.

**GOOD AND WELFARE-PUBLIC:**

Ms. Lynn Boulay of 70 Kenny Street, stated there are many difficult situations especially in the wintertime for working families with the high cost of heat and rents and many parents leave early for work. Most of the students get free breakfast now and this program would help others.

Ms. Colette Cook, a social worker and a teacher of non-violence, has visited a few of Woonsocket's schools and as a mother, knows the importance of having breakfast and how children behave better when they have had something to eat. They, also, focus better and make better choices.

Mr. Roger Harris from the R.I. Campaign to Eliminate Childhood Poverty, thanked the Committee for the opportunity to speak and by the number of people present, which is reduced by many having to attend bible study, shows how extremely important this issue is and hopes there will be a vote tonight. All the statistics have been given to the Committee members and they show the program works. Forty other states have this program for every child from elementary school to the high school. Why not start it at the Middle School? There is a great number of children and many come to school hungry. Based on the last SALT report, 15% of the sixth graders stated they had no breakfast, 19% of seventh graders and 21% of eighth graders stated the same. At least now it would be available. Statistics, also, show you would not lose money. The more students who participate, the more money you would receive from the Federal government. Woonsocket is small with a 44K population. Providence, which is triple the size, and their School Department adopted Free Breakfast and their budget didn't go in the red. They had asked to start a pilot program at Coleman, then Fifth, then Pothier and now they are asking to start it at the Middle School. Start somewhere and give it a shot. Vote yes or no tonight.

Ms. Sandra Kelly, who lives in North Scituate but has brothers and their families who live in Woonsocket, participates in the Campaign and hopes that the Woonsocket Public Schools will pilot Universal Free Breakfast this month until the end of this school year. The Committee knows all the good reasons to do so. The Members ran and were elected to do something positive for the residents. To implement this would be a positive thing and the numbers are growing in the State. Propel Woonsocket forward and put the children first on the list by trying the pilot program.

Ms. Judy Dantz, a resident of Woonsocket, was at a recent conference where Congressman Langevin

attended along with Narragansett Electric and the head of the Department of the Nutrition Program, where they asked why more kids don't come to breakfast. The problem with the breakfast attendance is that it is not promoted in the schools and by school committees per Steve Kerry from the Department of Education. There is a lot of information out there and the human aspect needs to be considered. Any expert working with a child will tell you breakfast is important. Why not take their advice and it shouldn't be adversarial and have the children missing out. NCLB is not happening here.

Ms. Patty Alton, from the Providence Chapter of the Campaign, stated that adopting UFB wouldn't cost Woonsocket money. The more children who participate, the more money you would receive. Cranston, Pawtucket, Central Falls and Providence have all adopted the program and all are reporting surpluses. Middle School children everywhere are moody and embarrassed of getting free food and even families that are above the poverty line are in a rush in the morning and the kids may not eat. Having breakfast at school would be a good start and you get poor behavior from an empty stomach.

Ms. Roxanne Carey, a teacher at Citizens, claims she plans parties and menus at home and when they have parents or teams coming to the schools, there is always food and beverages. Yet, we don't feed out kids.

Mr. Henry Sheldon thanked the Committee for having this issue on the agenda tonight and stated that Superintendent D'Acchioli attempted to work out a plan two years ago for the Fairmount Schools and the principal, at the time, seemed interested. Pawtucket started their pilot program in all the elementary schools. The SALT report shows that 20% of students don't eat at all. Even if they capture 5-10% of that, it would be a positive thing. They will never get a 100%. Sodexo is involved with the Pawtucket program. They have a program in Pawtucket called 'Good To Go'. The students come in early and they do exercises, have yogurt and then a regular breakfast. They want nutrition, as well, in the schools and they want to eliminate sugar and soda. Do an experiment with the pilot program. No District has rolled back the program once they started it.

Mr. Bernie Boudreau, Director of the R.I. Food Bank, stated that the Food Bank gets food to people in need through a network and they have to provide monthly reporting. They raise 51K a month through support from the Public and foundations. The hunger statistics continue to climb. Their concern is the problem of hunger and they are trying to address that through the Food-Stamp Program, WICK and school-meal programs. Nationally, free breakfast works better when it is available to all. In Woonsocket, they have five pantries that serve a total of 2168 individuals a month with 921 of them being children. From 2003 to 2004, they had a 17.5% increase with 784 more individuals in need. There are lots of families in need. 30% of children in Woonsocket are below the poverty line with 2950 children eligible for school breakfast. They need everyone to help fight this problem of hunger and it will help the students concentrate better. This is an opportunity to do a great thing for the great people of Woonsocket. This is a Federal program that would bring more money into the community.

Ms. Maggie Rogers of Pawtucket, who works with Ernie at the Pawtucket Soup Kitchen, where he just won a Jefferson Award for his work and expresses his support for this program, stated that when this was approved in Pawtucket, two of the seven-committee members who happened to support the program were not present and the vote still was approved. When they approved it in Pawtucket, they started with one elementary school, a middle school and a high school. And as of last September, they have the program in all schools now. They have a 300K surplus and no school district has ever rescinded the program after it was adopted. Pawtucket and Woonsocket are similar in many ways. Also, the Universal Breakfast has a lot of parental involvement as far as the supervision is involved.

Mr. Teddy Gross, Director of the Non-Violence Institute, stated there is a direct correlation between breakfast and concentration and disruption. A lot of money is wasted when teachers spend their time managing rather than teaching because of disruptions and lack of concentration. Successes on tests improve and the students are more ready to learn.

Mr. Richard DiPardo, President of the WTG, has worked in the school system for over 35 years and there was a good chance, way back when, that there were two parents on a household and they didn't have the same economic stresses there are today. The majority of the kids at the High School don't eat or they eat

soda and Pop Tarts. He believes the program is well worth it if there is no cost. It is the parent's responsibility to feed their kids but the reality is it doesn't happen for various reasons. Give it a shot. Last Friday afternoon, he was at the Middle School and a letter came out. There are two letters that go out. One before March 1<sup>st</sup>, which is the termination letters and then the displacement letters. Eleven letters came out on Friday and they were in unsealed envelopes placed in folks' mailboxes. The principal at the Middle School and the High School didn't even know they were coming out. They are in the people business and should be treated with respect and when someone is being forced out of a position, an Administrator should deliver the letter. This didn't happen and he was furious. No one knew the letters were coming. It was very impersonal. He asked that next year, people be treated with respect and dignity. It is Dr. D'Acchioli's responsibility to see that the staff is treated right.

Mr. Marlene Smith, a teacher at the Middle School, stated that if a teacher answered all questions on the SALT report, it would take them nine and a half hours to complete so most don't. The kids do it during school and it doesn't cost any money. The free breakfast sounds to good to be true and disagrees about the embarrassment factor. She has asked her kids if they look differently at those who get free lunch and they said no. If it doesn't cost anything, then they should consider it. Last year, she made a proposal about having dances after school and she was told there was a bussing issue. Now, knows that is not true. Also, she was told that the principal at the Middle School was responsible for the Math books and it wasn't Mr. Hatcher's decision. She stated that when there is a bad storm, a percentage of teachers are not in because they live far away and have large driveways to shovel. The atmosphere would be better if they had an hour delay. There was a change this week in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade lunch, where many teachers, skipping their own lunch breaks, accompanied their clusters in an attempt to come up with a more orderly solution and it has worked. The teachers do a great job. She showed the movie, 'Lean On Me' which is a great, true story after typing up a parents' permission slip for thirty students. They were told if they did their work, etc, they could stay after and bring a snack. The movie was a PG-13 like most movies are today and was told that even with a parent's permission slip, she can't do that. She asked that the Committee and Dr. D'Acchioli check into that and authorize it if she has a permission slip.

Ms. Rosey Connors, Director of Communications for the R.I. Food Bank, stated she is responsible for raising food and funds and asked for the help of the School Department. Feed the students so the teachers can teach.

Ms. Connie Boucher, a resident of Woonsocket, stated she sees that her kids get breakfast in the morning and it is a challenge even at home to get them to eat. Kids at the Middle School are developing. This would give the kids a choice. They still may not eat but they will have a choice and could meet with their friends.

Ms. Linda Majewski of 51 St. Hughes Street, stated she has worked at a food bank at her church and they have seen a big increase of those in need. Woonsocket is always first to pilot a program or to receive grant money. The Middle School would be a great place to start. This is when they see the biggest growth in their kids. They eat and they are hungry in an hour. She is concerned about supervision. For instance, what happens if six hundred students show up for breakfast? What is the State's requirement regarding the ratio? Also, last week, she has a 40-foot driveway and four adults were shoveling it and it took an hour and a half to clear it and there is no way to get in on time. The progress reports at the High School and not listing the grade-point averages nor missing assignments. They simply get smiley faces and a good, standard or poor.

Ms. Pauline Papino, a teacher in Woonsocket and lives in North Smithfield, stated that as she listens about the free breakfast where it is not going to cost anything, is in favor of it. She works in the Rise 'N Shine program on Fridays and kids love the breakfast of omelets and pancakes and help out so they can eat for free. They won't know if UFB works unless they try it. She works in a soup kitchen and knows of kids who walk two miles to get something to eat. Also, it is good socialization. Get the fact that it won't cost anything in writing.

#### **RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Dr. D'Acchioli congratulated seniors Alysha Castonguay and Timothy Picard, and junior James Lemire

who competed at the NCA National Cheerleading Competition in Dallas, Texas. Under the name, "Celebrity All Stars," they placed 1st in the Challenge Cup Large Senior Co-ed division.

Last Saturday, the Cheerleaders won the local competition at the MSC tournament. Congratulations to Coach Dawn Castogny and the entire Woonsocket High School Cheerleading Team.

Kudo's to Sophomore, Craig Pearce for being named "Scholar Athlete of the Week," by the Call on February 14th. Craig earned this spot by breaking the school record with a hammer throw of 66 feet 5-3/4 inches. Craig's record-breaking throw is the sixth best in the country on the US High school boys' 25-pound weight list. His outstanding performance in sports is, also, carried over to his academics. He takes honors classes and carries an A average. Congratulations!

Congratulations went to Coach Glenn Castiglia the Woonsocket High School wrestling team for winning the Division 1C championship held at RI College. Mike Cabana placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 135 category, Anthony Marsella placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 171 category, and Andrew Pailin placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 125 category. Congrats to all for their winning team effort.

Woonsocket High School boys basketball Coach Preston Murphy brought his Villa Novan's team to a secure spot in the Division I postseason berth. Seniors, Mike Boucher, Adam Gingras, Ray Okocha, Nick Ridolfi and Corey Ridolfi started off for the Novan's and Gingras led the way in scoring with 21 points for the team. Also, with the 3-point shooting efforts of David Torres, Tyrone Nared and David Gray, the team was able to secure their spot in the Division.

On the same note, Woonsocket Middle School boy's basketball team had a second place finish and secured a spot at the state playoffs in the RI Principals Committee Basketball League. Good Luck in the playoffs.

Kudos to Andrew Brannan and Joshua St. Pierre for receiving honorable mention at the recent RI Automobile Dealers Associations, New England Institute of Technology automotive contest.

Dr. D'Acchioli recognized WMS teachers Cyndy and Steve Boss for reaching out beyond the classroom. Mrs. Boss had been covering tsunamis as part of her science curriculum, while Mr. Boss was teaching students about current events. They combined their efforts and asked their students to think up an idea to reach out to victims of the tsunami to help in the relief efforts. Students sold carnations and raised \$815.00, which was sent to the American Red Cross. Thank you for your outstanding efforts.

**Motion to receive and place of file**  
Unanimously approved

**MW Second: AA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion to approve the Open and Closed Minutes of February 23, 2005**  
Unanimously approved

**AA Second: MW**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Personnel Actions:** (See Attached)  
Certified Appointments  
Non-Certified Appointments

**Purchases/Transfers Over \$2,000**

**Local**

American Arbitration Association/McFee/Promac/Local-\$4,069.96

Apple Computers/Computer/WMS/Local-\$6,528.00  
Lincoln Environmental Inc./Waste Removal &Neutralization Tank /Engineering Service/  
Savoie/Dist/Facilities/Local-\$9,194.00  
Fire Suppression Services, Inc./Fire Extinguishers,Insprections/District/Local-\$2,552.18  
Perkins Smith Cohen/Promac/McFee/Local-\$99,162.32  
Wistow & Barylick, Inc./Promac/McFee/Local-\$15,070.28

**Grant**

Education Alliance/ Brown Univ./Reform Grant Agreement/District/Grant-\$50,000.00  
Dell Computers/Computers/Technology/Grant-\$3,186.00  
Saddleback Educational/Educational Materials/WMS/Grant-\$5,907.00

**Field Trips/Conference** Request

International Reading Assoc. Conference, San Antonio, TX/WMS/Article 18  
School Leadership Seminar/Harvard Univ./Coleman/Title 1

Chairman Dubois stated that Ms. Jeanne Joyal's name is being removed from the Personnel Items.

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda**

**MD Second: MW**

Unanimously approved

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Chairman Dubois reminded everyone that next Wednesday night at 7 P.M. in this room, along with Ms. Williams, will be a Minority-Concerns meeting.

**CONFERENCES:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Motion to approve bus transportation for the Woonsocket Boys & Girls Club MD Second: AA**

Mr. Grabowski from the Boys & Girls Club stated that he has spent time with Dr. Macera and answered the fifteen questions that were presented to him and the answers have been distributed. They will secure private transportation for next September.

Mr. Auclair asked about there being ample seats on the buses. Mr. Grabowski stated that there would only be the eleven students and the number won't change and if all eligible students who could ride the buses did, there would still be enough seats.

Mr. Auclair stated he is concerned that this only be an exception and not an amendment to the policy nor a precedent for other organizations to come forward with such a request and there be a set date for this to end. Also, if there is any problem regarding the seat situation, that he immediately contact the Administration and Valley Transportation.

Chairman Dubois stated he supports an exception because it makes sense if there are empty seats, which are paid by the taxpayers, and the buses go by the location anyways and it's a good after-school program, why not do it. The students will not attend this program if there are problems at school.

Mr. Gene Chevrette from Valley Transportation stated he checked the numbers and the buses are in the area. The numbers do fluctuate from time to time. There have been a lot of new kids to the District with no new buses added in some time.

**Motion to approve the bus transportation for the Boys & Girls Club as an exception for the eleven**

**students and only for the remainder of this school year**  
Roll Call Vote (All Yes)

**MD Second: MW**

**Motion to approve Universal Free Breakfast Pilot Program**

**MD Second: MW**

Ms. Williams stated she was very happy to see all the people turn out. There were not a lot of people at the last two discussions. She does disagree about the stigma of free food. They do use a PIN number now in Woonsocket. Breakfast with friends will hopefully, bring out more friends. She has read many things that state discipline problems can be caused by a lack of food and communities and committees must do everything to ensure academics and health for their children and there is a connection between eating, physical activity and learning. There still is a problem with the menu but they are working on that. She will support this tonight.

Mr. Auclair congratulated the group for a good presentation but will not be supporting it. He doesn't have anything in writing about if losing money, how do they get out of the program. He would hate to have to reverse the program and now tell a child he must pay for breakfast. He suggests they meet over the summer and then if approved, they could start in next school year. He looked at the numbers and he wants to increase the numbers of attendance for those who are eligible now. They don't advertise the program they have now. They are only reimbursed if those student numbers increase. What are the goals of the program beyond putting food in their bellies? Is it to raise test scores and if so, how do they measure and how will they know if it is worth the effort and spending of more money? They need to find out now why those who are eligible now, don't go. It is a personal choice. He doesn't want to offer a buffet and they don't show up. He works in the City to help families and you can't force them to get help. To teach parents is a better way. He will call and speak to Steve Kerry at RIDE. He will need something in writing and has asked for that many times and yet it is not in the packet. They should talk over the summer and put it in writing a way to measure the success of the program and a way out of it if its not successful. He is not against helping or feeding kids but they need to be accountable to help themselves. This should not be a liability for the District.

Dr. D'Acchioli stated that the numbers don't work and never will. They currently have a deficit of \$1,850 just for breakfast. The fallacy is that they will be reimbursed. Currently, the District receives a reimbursement of 23 cents of a \$1.48 cost for breakfast. If that same student eats under the UFB, the District still gets 23 cents reimbursement but loses \$1.25. Woonsocket Education Department only gets reimbursed for those students who participate who are eligible now. At Coleman, 90% are eligible for free and reduced meals and only a small number of students participate. The real issue, and has been for the last three years, is supervision. There is no plan for supervision. They state there is a six-page report but he receives a two and a half page report with three paragraphs on logistics.. There is nothing about supervision. Also, it talks about going from a hot breakfast to a pre-packaged breakfast for the classroom. The Woonsocket Education Department is willing to work with Teri Curtin from Connecting Children & Families who can provide supervision. To add one more thing at the Middle School where they cannot take another change is wrong. Any money made on the food programs is used to fix equipment and replace, utensils and chairs and tables. Tables at Globe Park were over thirty years old and were recently replaced by using food service revenues. If the revenues are taken away, they won't be able to replace such things. The money does not go into the budget. He is not opposed to the program, but rather the lack of logistics and planning.

Chairman Dubois stated he agrees about the Middle School not being the place to start such a program. He would be in agreement to test the pilot program in an elementary school for the rest of this school year, then meet over the summer to review to see if they will continue the program for the new year. He is impressed that seventeen people spoke tonight about this program and would like the help of Teri Curtin from CCF.

**Motion to amend that the Universal Free Breakfast pilot program start at one of the elementary schools subject to a plan from CCF and terminate at the end of this school year, meet and review this matter during the summer**

**MD Second: MW**

Roll Call Vote (All Yes)

Ms. Curtin was present and stated she is willing to put a plan together that will respond to Mr. Auclair's concerns and supervision. Mr. Sheldon stated he is willing to work with Ms. Curtin and mentioned that the State will reimburse costs for additional supervision. Mr. Auclair reiterated that at the end of this program, he needs to see in writing improvement in socialization and test scores.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion to approve Bid Award #05-09 to WB Mason Company for office technology and paper supplies**  
**MD Second: AA**

Roll Call Vote (All Yes)

Mrs. Goodman stated this is for '06 and doesn't have the exact quantities of each item at this time.

Dr. D'Acchioli gave an update on the Capital Projects. After finding that the cost for putting an elevator in the McFee Building was way over what they had to spend, they reviewed what projects were worth doing and could complete by June 30<sup>th</sup> so they could be reimbursed. Mr. Fontaine has recommended lighting projects and is working with the Electric Company. These are definite quotes and there are no changes for fiscal '06 but they did move some items around for '07-'10. Many of the projects listed have been completed and paid for on the list provided to the Committee.

Chairman Dubois stated that regarding the Local #1137, Grievance #04-12.21 Harassment, has been delayed two times at the Local's request. The Committee Member this is being brought against wants it heard in Open Session and the Local does not. Per Attorney Ackerman, this is an invalid grievance because you cannot single out one Member but rather the entire Committee. If you single out one Member, it is their choice if it is to be held in an open or closed session.

**Motion to deny Local #1137 Grievance #04-12.21 Harassment**      **MD Second: AA**

Roll Call Vote (All Yes)

Per Chairman Dubois, the approval of Non Renewal of Administrator's Contract has been removed from the agenda.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

In mid-February, Dr. D'Acchioli had the opportunity to meet with the Middle School faculty, Citizens SALT interview team, explain their fiscal needs at a PAC meeting and award the district's Geography Bee winners.

During the vacation week, he joined Dr. Macera and Mrs. Dubois at a Read 180 conference. Several Committee members had the opportunity to see this program working well at the Middle School. This may be the most important program they will be instituting at the Middle School.

Last week, he met with the food service auditors, attended a monthly Middle School faculty meeting, accompanied Mrs. Mayer's as she received a TRUST grant to purchase shelter and place equipment, and met with the RIASC to explore a collaborative venture into workers comp insurance. Last Saturday, Dr. D'Acchioli attended a RIASC Legislative workshop with Mr. Auclair and Mr. Ward. The materials and information will be used at our Legislative Breakfast scheduled for March 19th at the Pothier School.

Referenced earlier, he observed their Cheerleaders win the competition at MSC. Their basketball team played today at CCRI. Unfortunately, he did not received the results of the afternoon's game.

This morning, Dr. D'Acchioli attended a breakfast at Harris school in celebration of National Breakfast Week.

It was gratifying to hear Mrs. Smith's comments this evening regarding changes taking place at the Middle School. He thanked the teachers who are working to make the Middle School a better place.

Regarding the high school principal vacancy, the Administration is planning to advertise in the Providence Journal on Sunday, March 20 and in the March 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of Education Week. Applications will close on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Application screening, interviews and reference checks will hopefully be concluded in time for an April 27<sup>th</sup> recommendation. The selection team will be comprised of the district's Directors, representatives from the WTG and Local 1137, a WHS PTO parent and a member of the School Committee selected by Chairman Dubois.

To close, he reminded the Committee of the NRIC annual meeting next Wednesday, their Legislative Breakfast the following Saturday and the NRIC School Committee and Legislator Informational session scheduled at North Providence High School on Wednesday, March 30. This session is a great opportunity to work with their State leaders to secure more funding for our schools.

**Motion to receive and place on file said Superintendent's Report**  
Unanimously approved

**MD Second: MW**

### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE GOOD AND WELFARE:**

Chairman Dubois stated he had breakfast this morning at Harris and there was a great turn out with lots of parents and relatives of the students. He was especially impressed due to the weather. He applauded the tenacity of those involved with the Universal Free Breakfast program and was happy they came to a compromise. Now, they will see if it works. He commended Mr. Fontaine for coming and answering their questions and has heard he is doing a great job and feels they made a great choice in hiring him.

Ms. Williams commended the R.I. Campaign to Eliminate Childhood Poverty. It is the job of parents to feed their children and she is a single parent herself. It is a struggle everyday and knows what it is like to struggle. Heat and rents are astronomical but you must get your child to the school for the program. Children must be satisfied before they can achieve. She is happy about the pilot program and Teri Curtin will work very hard with the Campaign. Ms. Williams volunteered herself to help and also, stated she did not make this morning's breakfast due to shoveling snow. Tomorrow there is a breakfast in Warwick at 8:00 A.M. for the R.I. Healthy Coalition, which she won't be able to attend. She is working with Cathy at Sodexo and Donna Valentine and will be meeting them tomorrow to get rid of soda. She wished the best to Mr. Legare and his recovery.

Mr. Auclair stated there are a lot of changes going this year... the Boys & Girls Club and the UFB pilot program. He was against the presentation brought forward but was able to accept the one made by Chairman Dubois. He wants to see if it works and try it out with no obligation. He looks to the group for continued support. There are a lot of good things going on and the teachers are teaching and the students are learning. He feels Mr. Fontaine was a good find. He believes the breakfast program should be advertised perhaps in the schools' newsletters. They need to promote themselves better. They are not good at P.R. and the only thing the newspapers publish is a bad thing. PAC puts things in the Valley Breeze. He attended the R.I. School Committees' Workshop last Saturday with Mr. Ward and Dr. D'Acchioli he has never paid much attention to politics but R.I. Is very reactionary. One member asked about the tobacco settlement that most states receive over twenty years and we took as a one-time lump sum to balance the budget and pensions and now that money is gone. People can make a change when they vote. We need to be proactive in resolving the problem rather than putting a band-aid on it and the problem is still there. Currently, the Legislature is looking at making a health & fitness sub-committee mandatory for all school committees. The pension system in the state is a fight and RIPEC was there. They were asked if the employees were asked to contribute into the pension plan and they said they didn't think of that. Not all Districts participate in Social Security. The pension problem is not going away soon unless there is reform. Tomorrow night at 7:00 P.M. at Globe Park, PTER (Parents & Teachers & Explosive Kids) misleading name, deals with what all parents deal with. It is a valuable resource. At the last meeting, he asked that the

finance sub-committee and the building sub-committee meet with the City Council about allocating some land to the School Department before it is all gone. This way, when they are ready to build, it will be available. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and hopes that Mr. Legare will be back soon and for everyone to keep up the good work.

**Motion to adjourn at 9:30 P.M.**  
Unanimously approved

**MD Second: AA**

Respectfully submitted,

Denise St Germain  
Secretary to the School Committee