

Newport City Council Newport School Committee

Liaison Sub-committee Meeting
February 22, 2005 ~ 7:00 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room
Newport City Hall

Members present:

Mary Connolly, Stephen Coyne, Hugo DeAscentis, Jo Eva Gaines, Colleen McGrath.

Others: James Smith, Newport City Manager and Thomas Phelan, School Committee member, a parent from Carey School.

Discussions/Topics:

- ◆ How the sub-committee functioned in the past
- ◆ Consider a long term strategic plan for the School Committee and City Council to address educational needs of the children of Newport
- ◆ Planning should focus on educational service delivery model for students not financial issues. We should focus of the appropriate delivery model for the 21st Century, not fiscal constraints.
- ◆ City-School-Community Advisory Group Final Report
- ◆ Need to address current budget deficit
- ◆ Bacon & Edge report vs. Program Audit
- ◆ Jim Smith – proposal to address future education needs
- ◆ Needs of Rogers High School
- ◆ City/School purchasing through East Bay Collaborative
- ◆ Health Care costs

Subcommittees:

City Council: Mary Connolly, Chair, Stephen Coyne, and Colleen McGrath

School Committee: William Hilton, Chair, Hugo DeAscentis, and Jo Eva Gaines

Chairs for City Council and School Committee will alternate chairing meetings and setting agenda.

Next Meeting: March 21st – 7pm. School Administration Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.