

**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN CHAMBERS
REGULAR MEETING – February 27, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.**

Somerville Public Schools - School Committee Goals/District Improvement Plan - 2005-2006

- Goal #1: To improve instruction by implementing the Somerville Standards district-wide across all populations and through the block schedule, and utilize concrete data related to specific areas of need, all tied to increasing MCAS Proficiency scores and meeting AYP.
- Goal #2: To maintain the comprehensive Professional Development needs of the district, aligned with Goal 1, and to accommodate the new Salary Lane of M+45 that begins in September 2006.
- Goal #3: To establish coordination regarding compliance and equity for MCAS progress and AYP requirements in each school and department.
- Goal #4: To produce a comprehensive plan for the Somerville Public Schools with articulated educational and organizational goals and a comprehensive facility plan.
- Goal #5: Continue to promote open lines of communication among the stake holder groups in Somerville.
- Goal #6: To efficiently and effectively use School Department funds for operating the district and the schools and providing staff, programs and services to benefit children and learning.
- Goal #7: To maintain facilities for children and staff that provide positive environments conducive to learning, working, and community activity.
- Goal #8: To Continue to Support School and City Technology Coordination.
- Goal #9: To Continue to Diversify Staff.
- Goal #10: To improve Service Delivery by reconfiguring staffing and administration.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

II. AWARDS AND CITATIONS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes to be approved for printing:

January 30, 2006

- Finance and Facilities Committee of the Whole Meeting

January 31, 2006

- Personnel Committee of the Whole Meeting

IV. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

V. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

VI. REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEES

A. ***Ed. Programs and Instruction Subcommittee:*** Ms. Bastardi (Feb. 8)

Subject discussed:

- ✓ Community Schools Program – Nancy Meehan
- ✓ Wellness Policy – (5th Draft)
- ✓ Approval of In-Service Course(s)

B. ***Long Range Planning Committee of the Whole:*** Ms. Harris (Feb. 9)

- ✓ Buildings and Programs

C. ***Rules Management Subcommittee:*** Ms. Cardoso (Feb. 16)

- ✓ Wellness Policy Review
- ✓ Promotion Policy
- ✓ CORI Requirements

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. **John & Abigail Adams Scholarship Awardees – Class of 2006**

Carolyn Richards, Supervisor of Guidance and Testing, reports that 26 of 78 (33%) Adams Scholars from Somerville High School Class of 2005 reported going to a two year or four year Massachusetts college.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. **SPS Wellness Policy for PK-12** – First ReadingB. **SPS Promotion Policy (revised beginning 2006-2007 school year)** – First Reading
Promotion and Retention of Students – File: IKEC. **SPS Policy Regarding Criminal Offender Record Information for Prospective and Current Employees, Volunteers and Transportation Providers** – First Reading

IX. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

X. COMMUNICATIONS

XI. PERSONNEL

Complete report submitted to members. Recommended Actions: Receive and place on file.

A. RETIREMENT

1. Tina Pagliarulo, 41 Raymond Ave., Somerville, MA 02144 (Cafeteria Helper) effective December 31, 2005.
2. Ines Goncalves, 18 Congressional Lane, Manchester, NH 03104 (SEIP- Grade 2 Teacher @ LPCS) effective June 30, 2006.

B. RESIGNATIONS

1. Richard Danehy, 61 Griswald St., Cambridge, MA 02138 (Asst. Pool Director) effective March 4, 2006.
2. Benitez, Alexandra, 91 Prescott Street, Medford, MA 02155 (Part time ESOL teacher @ Scale) Effective, December 1, 2005.
3. Melanie Joy, 29 lee Street #5, Cambridge, MA 02139 (Part time ESOL teacher @ Scale) Effective, December 22, 2005.
4. Mirah Model, 391 Broadway, #310, Somerville, MA 02145 (Asst. Group Leader at Community Schools) effective January 20, 2006

C. CAREER EXPLORATION

1. Barbara Shea, 62 Washington St., #14, Haverhill, MA 01832 (Librarian @ Kennedy School) for the 2006/07 school year.

D. UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1. Mary A. Gooch, 2 Verplast Ave., Winchester, MA 01890 (Kdgn. Paraprofessional @ Healey) from March 22 to March 31, 2006 (Total 8 days)

XII. MONTHLY CALENDAR – February 2006**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**