

BAC MEETING MINUTES 3/12

The meeting began at 7:30 in the Sagamore Library.

The following members attended: Gary Carruthers, Liz Morrison, Marty Ronning, Alan Sacher, Frank Christiano, Joe Accurso, Linda King, Roy Dragotta and Ed Hudson. Also attending and speaking were Ron Sacks, Ed Miller and Michael Bergin. From the district was Bruce Singer and from the Board of Education were Robert Scavo and Jon Siegel. There was 1 visitor.

The following topics were discussed:

- Approval of the BAC minutes from the 3/1 meeting.
- The accepted resignation of committee member Sal Tripi.
- The committee directed questions to Michael Bergin, Plant Facilities Administrator, in regards to the large increase in the budget for custodial products, supplies and equipment. Mr. Bergin explained how there has been very little money given to this department over the last few years even with the addition of East High School and Sequoya Middle School. Mr. Bergin along with Mr. Sacks explained there has been a shortage for some time and the need to replenish these supplies in addition to replacing needed equipment. It was explained that supplies and equipment include anything needed under \$750.00. Some examples given were AC, fencing, faucets, paint, ext.. There is also extra dollars allocated for unforeseen items. There was also a discussion in regards to the new mandated requirement for the use of Green products.
- The committee discussed with Mr. Bergin custodial overtime. Mr. Bergin explained what causes the need for overtime, for example athletic activities. He talked about the efforts being made to cut overtime and the ways hours can be reallocated. There was a discussion about increasing the pay for subs in a effort to attract more employees and the possibility that shift hour changes would help alleviate overtime.

- The topic of Teacher Coaches was revisited with a discussion including Mr. Scavo and Mr. Siegel. The committee discussed the current mentoring program, the addition of the Teacher Coaches, whether 1 coach per 2 schools would be effective and how the program will be tracked for success.
- The committee discussed with the Board members and the District members, that they would like them to attend more BAC meetings, in order to assist with BAC concerns.
- There was a request made to have future meetings held at a different location due to vandalism that has occurred in the parking lot of Sagamore School during regular meetings.

The meeting ended at 9:45 and the next meeting is scheduled for 3/19/07. It will be held at 7:30 in the Sagamore library unless an alternate site is secured.