

## **BAC MEETING MINUTES 4/7/09**

The meeting began at 7:07 in the district office conference room.

The following members attended: Gary Carruthers, Ed Hudson, Michael Isernia, Larry Levy, James Mayers and Liz Morrison. From the district office was Ron Sacks. From the BOE was Rob Scavo. There were no visitors.

The following topics were discussed:

- 1) Review and approval of the BAC minutes from 3/10.
- 2) Review and approval of the BAC minutes from 3/24.
- 3) The committee discussed what areas the BOE would like them to focus on, i.e.: Community Education.

The Community Education program runs in a deficit. The Board of Education would like the program to be self-sufficient and not subsidized by other programs.

- 4) The committee discussed several different ideas to make the Program more efficient:

Speak with other school districts to do a co-operative community education program. (Pat-Med did this with Sachem at one time and is not interested at this time).

Raising fees for classes maybe the only alternative. (YMCA charges double for pool usage than Sachem).

Pre-registration for family swim. (So the staff knows how many people to expect and can have enough lifeguards accordingly).

Advertise swimming programs and swim lessons in the Elementary newsletters for more exposure to the program. (Many parents may not know about these programs for their children).

Hire more high school students who are lifeguard certified to work at the pools. (Maybe they could earn credits for working).

Use electronic mailings to cut postage costs.

Advertise in the School Calendars.

- 5) The committee will be requesting the following information from the district in order to make a full evaluation:

A complete breakdown of the 07/08 program including the following: enrollment by class, including how many are senior citizens, printing and postage costs by session, instructor fees, and other expenses and revenue.

The pool program needs to be reviewed separate from the classroom programs. The committee will need a full breakdown of each class offered in the swim program, family swim, lessons, lifeguard training and instructional swim. They will need attendance, revenue, expenses, instructor and lifeguard costs, etc.....

- 6) The committee will also be requesting a 3 year trend of enrollment with a breakout of senior citizens.
- 7) Gary Carruthers, Larry Levy and Mike Isernia will be working on the pool programs, Liz Morrison and Jim Mayers will be working on the classroom programs for Community Ed.
- 8) The committee briefly reviewed the increase in pay for security and the effect it has on the district. They also discussed the idea of outside groups sharing in the cost.
- 9) Gary Carruthers wants only the Community Ed sub-committees for the next meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:40 and the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the district office.