

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN – BOARD OF SELECTMEN

JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006 @ 3 PM

VETERANS MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LIBRARY/MEDIA ROOM #73
2 MAYFLOWER LANE, PROVINCETOWN, MA.

Chairman Cheryl Andrews convened this Selectmen's meeting at 3:00 PM noting the following attendees: Board of Selectmen members: Cheryl Andrews, Sarah Peake, Michele Couture, Richard Olson, David Nicolau

Other Attendees: Town Manager Keith Bergman

School Committee Attendees: Terese Nelson, Peter Grosso, Burt Wolfman. Shannon Patrick, (Debra Trovato arrived at 3:45 PM)

Other Attendees: Superintendent Janice Lachowetz, Curriculum Coordinator Jessica Waugh, PHS Principal Ed Boxer, VMES Principal Anthony Teso and Recreation Assistant Tracy Roderick.

Recorder: Andrews / Peake

The following are meeting minutes in brief.

1. **JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the following topics:

A. Report and discussion on School Committee's meeting with the Recreation Commission regarding programming and planning.

The participants discussed the coordination of programs and planning between the School District and the Recreation Department. With the current vacancy of the Director of the Recreation Department and the School Athletic Director, there is an opportunity to review job descriptions and potential resource efficiencies.

School Committee suggested we form a sub-committee, two from Board of Selectmen, two from School Committee 2 from Recreation Commission to meet 1-2 times and report back to the full group at our next meeting. School Committee chose Burt Wolfman and Deb Trovato. Board of Selectmen chose Cheryl Andrews and Michele Couture. Recreation Commission will need to be contacted.

B. Report on School Committee's meetings with Community Preservation Committee, Economic Development Council.

The school committee discussed the importance of developing a program for pre-kindergarten - extended day childcare using school facilities and noted that both the Community Preservation Committee, and the Economic Development Council have agreed to the need for such a program.

C. Schedule next joint meeting of Board of Selectmen and School Committee.

The boards agreed to continue the joint dialogue to establish operational goals for the coming years. The Board of Selectmen will be discussing FY 07 goal setting at their meeting on June 12th and at a hearing on June 26th. The School Committee is holding a Future Search Conference on May 16th and 17th. The

intention is to articulate the needs and goals of the Provincetown Public Schools. The Selectmen noted that family friendly affordable/workforce housing is a high priority. The school district's priorities are enrollment and academic excellence. Both boards agreed that cost containment is also relevant. The boards agreed that open communication is essential, and a clear understanding of financial numbers, policies and goals. We will meet next on May 23rd, at 4pm.

Motion to adjourn by Michele Couture at 4:05 PM.

Minutes of meeting transcribed by: Vernon G. Porter
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