## Community Schools Advisory Board (CSAB) Meeting Yellow IRC, Brockton High School October 14, 2015

PRESENT: Faye McKinnon, Tracey Pomfret, Judy Sullivan, Roody Herold, Joe Moses, Shaynah

Barnes, Amy Winston, Winique Green, and Paul Branco

ABSENT: Julianne Andrade, Chris Doherty, Sheila Mullaney, Jen Bassett, James DiNitto, Janice

Johnson-Plumer, Jenna Shanks, Jean Mech, Adrienne Pulley and Ossie Jordan

ALSO PRESENT: Maxine Richardson, Heather Arrighi and Skip Graziano

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Schools Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 in the Yellow IRC at Brockton High School. Faye McKinnon called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. A quorum was present and the following matters were discussed.

WELCOME Faye McKinnon asked those in attendance if they had reviewed the minutes of the

meeting held on September 9, 2015.

ACCEPTANCE OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2015 CSAB MINUTES IT WAS MOVED BY TRACEY POMFRET AND SECONDED BY WINIQUE GREEN TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTERMBER 9, 2015 MEETING.

NOTICES FOR OPENINGS

Maxine announced that notices regarding openings will be sent to the Principals now that PTO and PTA meetings have begun. Ideally, there will be a

representative from each school.

FALL 2015 PROGRAMS English as a Second Language has begun, with 24 students in the class. Most of the students are at the beginner level, with two or three students a little more advanced. As a result of having one teacher for the class, lesson plans for these students will be differentiated.

Community Schools Basketball registrations were still taking place and the draft was held on October 24, 2015 at the Brockton High School gymnasium. All coaches were required to have fingerprinting and CORIs done as mandated by the state. While this hindered the process a little, all coaches agreed that it was important for the safety of the children.

Adult Enrichment and Recreation has begun. A paint night journey, which takes paint nights a step further is being run by Carlyn Peters, an art teacher in Brockton. This class runs for six weeks and focuses on different painting techniques each week.

Both Adult Aquatics and Youth Swim and Dive are running swimmingly. The Adult Aquatic supervisor, Cindy Glynn, just returned from a cruise where she led Adult Aquatics on board. Maxine praised the life guards involved with Youth Swim and Dive, as they are very attentive and patient with the children. Several children return each year and it is wonderful to watch their skills progress.

The Community Schools Office still encourages online registrations. Customers who register online receive a \$10 discount!

BARONCELLI AWARD RECAP The Baroncelli Award was given at the School Committee meeting on October 6, 2015. Elaine Kelly received the award for her hard work and dedication to the students involved in the Drama Club at Brockton High School.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

21<sup>ST</sup> Century programs are beginning in various schools throughout the district. Arnone, George, North and Baker all have after school programs. The Raymond and the Huntington are currently extended learning sites. After school programs require a minimum of 100 hours of participation from the students at the elementary level and 90 hours of participation at the middle school level. Over 400 hours are offered per a school year, making this a realistic goal.

We are focusing on engineering in the elementary schools, by promoting hands on activities. We have several kits through funding, which introduces the students to various topics in engineering. The hope is that the new ideas and activities will invigorate the after school programs.

The number of in-service days on Thursdays are challenging to after school programs. Most of these programs will run Monday through Wednesday, as there are only 6 Thursdays which are full school days. However, schools may opt to offer special activities on Thursdays.

**EXTENDED DAY** 

Extended Day is ongoing, running in 12 schools this year. The numbers continue to grow, as the program thrives and the state writes more vouchers. This proves to be a challenge as the schools reach capacity and may have to close registrations. Tracey questioned the possibility of opening Extended Day sites at middle schools. This has been attempted in the past, but a lack of interest has made it impossible.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Maxine Richardson announced that Nancy Fama is the new administrative assistant in the Community Schools Office.

Maxine also spoke about her wonderful experience at a Easton Children's Museum conference. We are hoping to partner with them for the STEAM initiative, as they have incredible resources at hand.

Faye McKinnon spoke about a past alliance with Stonehill and suggested we try to rekindle this partnership. Shaynah Barnes proposed we look into the Edward Kennedy Institute in Boston, as a possible field trip site.

IT WAS MOVED BY PAUL BRANCO AND SECONDED BY WINIQUE GREEN TO ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM

Winique Green was the winner of this month's drawing. Congratulations!