

**Community Schools Advisory Board (CSAB) Meeting
Yellow IRC, Brockton High School
September 9, 2015**

PRESENT: Jean Mech, Roody Herold, Ossie Jordan, Adrienne Pulley, Faye McKinnon, Paul Branco, and Judy Sullivan

ABSENT: Julianne Andrade, Tracey Pomfret, Amy Winston, Joe Moses, Shaynah Barnes, Chris Doherty, Winique Green, Sheila Mullaney, Jen Bassett, James DiNitto, Jenna Giannaros, Janice Johnson-Plumer and Jenna Shanks

ALSO PRESENT: Maxine Richardson, Heather Arrighi and Skip Graziano

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Schools Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 in the Yellow IRC at Brockton High School. Jean Mech called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM. A quorum was present and the following matters were discussed.

WELCOME Jean Mech asked those in attendance if they had reviewed the minutes of the retreat held on May 13, 2015.

ACCEPTANCE OF MAY 13, 2015 CSAB MINUTES IT WAS MOVED BY ADRIENNE PULLEY AND SECONDED BY FAYE MCKINNON TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2015 CSAB RETREAT.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT MOTION, UNANIMOUS

2015-2016 MEETING SCHEDULE All members in attendance had reviewed the calendar with the tentative meeting dates. There were no oppositions.

FALL 2015 PROGRAMS Maxine Richardson discussed the upcoming fall programs. A few new enrichment classes are expected, including an *Indian Cuisine Cooking Class* and a series of *Paint Nights*. These classes are advertised on the website, through social media, and flyers. They are not advertised in the Enterprise, as there is a cost barrier.

Fall programs also include *Adult Aquatics*, *Youth Swimming and Diving*, *Special Needs Aquatics Program*, and *Driver's Education*. Community Schools received a new leased car from Bernadi Hyundai to use in the *Driver's Education* program. The car will be utilized as soon as an instructor's brake is installed by James Hathaway. It was announced that Bernadi would be recognized at the School Committee Meeting on October 6, 2015.

SUMMER 2015 REPORT The summer programs all had wonderful turnouts; swimming was full the entire summer, with a waitlist. No classes were cancelled this summer due to lack of interest. Act One Scene 1 used sponsorships to raise money, as sets and royalties for shows are expensive. The show was a huge success with over 100 students!

Raise Up Basketball was able to offer two different types of scholarships for students in need. The Simms Scholarship provides 10 students the opportunity to participate in one week of the program. The Robert Govan Jr. scholarship was formed this year and allowed 2 students, one male and one female, to participate in two weeks of the program. All students were greatly appreciative and wrote personal thank you letters to the families.

This year Summer Extended Day was held at the Arnone School. There were 440 students enrolled; the largest summer program to date. This large number caused some challenges for the finance department and required more staffing. Mrs. Richardson spoke of the challenges of staffing as the summer progresses. During the summer students took part in many activities including swimming at the Manning Pool, grades 4-6 took part in Get Ready and there were many weekly events at the Arnone. At the end of the summer students went on field trips. The Extended Day program received feedback from several field trip sites about the exceptionally good behavior of the students.

Heather Arrighi reported on the 21st Century Summer programs, including *Summer Success, the MALL Program, 9th Grade Academic Support* and *Summer of Work and Learning*. These programs, with the exception of *Summer of Work and Learning* focused on academic support and MCAS skills. *SWL* places students in various working environments. While the funding for this program was cut drastically this year, 40-50 students were still able to participate.

Jean Mech spoke about Summerfest, which has been absorbed by Brockton Youth Foundation. Only one school participated in this year's festivities. Low participation was believed to be impacted by the heat wave and the popularity of vacations. It was suggested that alumni are asked to donate funds, while Ossie Jordan proposed contacting big corporations.

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REPRESENTATIVES

Information regarding the Community Schools Advisory Board will be sent out to all principals. All members in attendance agreed that it would be beneficial to have participation from every school.

BARONCELLI
UPDATE

It was announced that the Baroncelli Award would be given to Elaine Kelly at the School Committee Meeting, on October 6 at 7 pm. All members were invited to attend the meeting, as well as the reception in the Choral Room following.

NEXT STEPS/NEW
BUSINESS

Ossie Jordan spoke of the challenges the Brockton Public Schools will face in the upcoming school year, especially in regards to charter schools.

Judy Sullivan spoke about uniforms in public schools, such as the Raymond School and the Huntington School.

IT WAS MOVED BY PAUL BRANCO AND SECONDED BY
ADRIENNE PULLEY TO ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM

Paul Branco was the winner of this month's drawing.
Congratulations!