Community School Advisory Board Meeting  
Red IRC, Brockton High School  
October 13, 2010

PRESENT: Scott Holmes, Jass Stewart, Richard Bath, Janice Beyer, Skip Graziano, Marie Hurst, Tina Baptiste, Rebecca Brumberger, Mary Ann Burke, Anthony Donegan, Shirley Jackson, Eileen Jones, Faye McKinnon, Richard Molloy, Caroline Moran and James Rober

ABSENT: Karen McCarthy, Bill McGauley, Jean Rowan, Mary Milligan, Patrick Quinn and Kevin Sweet

ALSO PRESENT: Tim Sullivan, Darlene Otis and Kathleen Smith

The regular monthly meeting of the Community School Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, October 13, 2010 in the Red IRC at Brockton High School. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Scott Holmes. A quorum was present and the following matters were discussed:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 CSAB MEETING

Scott Holmes welcomed all board members and asked that everyone in attendance introduce themselves. He asked if there were any questions or omissions regarding the September 8, 2010 minutes.

IT WAS MOVED BY JANICE BEYER AND SECONDED BY SKIP GRAZIANO TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 MEETING

VOTED: TO ACCEPT MOTION, UNANIMOUS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Scott Holmes welcomed new members Tina Baptiste and Mary Ann Burke. Kathleen Smith recognized past members and asked them to fill out forms stating that they are returning.

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS FOR CSAB CHAIRPERSON & VICE CHAIRPERSON

Scott Holmes explained the roles of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. He informed members that the New Member Orientation will take place before the regularly scheduled November CSAB meeting on November 17, 2010 at 6:00 pm. Nominations were made for Scott Holmes to serve as Chairperson and Eileen Jones to serve as Vice Chairperson of the CSAB for the 2010-2011.

IT WAS MOVED BY SKIP GRAZIANO TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATIONS OF SCOTT HOMES AS CHAIRPERSON AND EILEEN JONES AS VICE CHAIRPERSON.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT NOMINATION, UNANIMOUS

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

See information provided above.

SUMMER 2010 SCHOLARSHIPS

Kathleen Smith reported that there was approximately $19,000 in scholarships to students for the CS Summer Programs 2010. The school adjustment counselors distribute the scholarships to the children in their schools. She spoke of the McKinney Vento program that reaches out to the students that reside at hotels throughout the city. Breakdowns of the amounts were provided to the members and reports are available with the
information. The summer programs included fifth and sixth grade students from the Extended Day Program which helped both programs in the area of enrollments, skills development and interest in the program.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Registrations are taking place on October 13 & 20, 2010. Kathleen Smith asked if members have visited the Community Schools website which Jass Stewart stated was “incredible”. Kathleen Smith stated that every program is online and payment options are available for some programs. Electronic check payment options are now available. Kiosks are available outside the Community Schools office for those who do not have internet access. Mike Thomas is no longer the supervisor of the Community Schools Basketball program. The new supervisors are George Louis of Brockton High School and Jim DiNitto from the Plouffe Academy and will be sharing job duties. East Middle School will no longer be utilized and the Baker School will be the replacement site along with the George School and West Middle School.

FALL 2010 PROGRAMS

The current enrollment for the Fall 2010 Adult Enrichment and Recreation Program is 181. The fitness classes, computer classes, auto mechanics and woodworking are the most popular. Kathleen Smith asked the members to consider a rollback price for the Spring 2011 session to $40.00 in honor of the 40th Anniversary of Community Schools.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO REDUCE THE PRICE OF ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS FOR THE SPRING 2011 TO $40.00 IN HONOR OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

IT WAS MOVED BY JANICE BEYER TO ACCEPT THE MOTION OF PRICE CHANGE FOR THE SPRING 2011 ENRICHMENT AND RECREATION PROGRAM.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT MOTION, UNANIMOUS

The youth Swimming & Diving program enrollments are 60 for Tuesday, 57 for Thursday and currently 48 for Saturday. Kathleen Smith thanked Michelle Zachary, Scott Allen and Lauren Bellao for the wonderful swim instruction program. The special needs swim program enrollment is low at this time. Family members are encouraged to participate in this program at a minimal fee.

The Conservatory of Music has 33 enrolled students this fall.

Expressways to English enrollments are down. There are currently grant funded programs taking place throughout the city. Many churches are offering the course. The ALC currently has a waiting list of 2000 people. Scott Holmes talks about how this program touches so many people. Rebecca Brumberger asked about the Huntington School having English classes and the ESL program. Kathleen Smith stated that Suzanne Martin from the ALC is working with her and they are going to be sending out a survey to the parents to see if an ESL program is needed. Kathleen Smith explains the dynamics of the Adult Evening Diploma program. She talked about the Race to the Top (RTTT) money and how it will impact the program.
FALL 2010 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The 21st Century and after school programs began yesterday in some schools and will continue to start at other schools on a staggered basis and will serve approximately 2500 students.

EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

Faye McKinnon inquired about a tutoring program at the Hancock school for children at risk but do not qualify because they do not receive free lunch. Kathleen Smith stated that she will look into this program. Laurie Silva, Coordinator of 21st Century Programs will be invited to speak about the after school programs at a future meeting.

CSAB BINDERS

Binders were distributed to members to provide them with a place to keep their CSAB meeting information in.

CSAB 40TH ANNIVERSARY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Kathleen Smith spoke of the kickoff event on Friday, October 8, 2010. She spoke about the opening of Brockton High School in 1970 and the concept of opening the school to the community. She thanked Chartwell’s for the wonderful donations that they made towards the evening. Members were able to view pictures that were provided to the Community Schools office from Janet Trask. Eileen Jones, BHS alumni, talked about the wonderful time she had that evening. Kathleen Smith thanked everyone that was involved in the preparation of the event. The next event will be a winter dance with the 1970’s theme. A new commemorative booklet is being planned to replicate the original booklet in 1970.

WEBSOLUTIONS UPDATE

See notes above

NEW BUSINESS

Jass Stewart commented about the District Attorney speaking about the MCAS and the school system contributing to the decrease in crime in the city of Brockton. Eileen Jones summarized the BYF accounting from the Casino Night held in June. Kathleen Smith thanked BYF for their donation to the Community Schools programs.

The winner of this month’s raffle is:

Shirley Jackson

Congratulations!

IT WAS MOVED BY SKIP GRAZIANO AND SECONDED BY REBECCA BRUMBERGER TO ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.