

**School Committee Workshop
Shrewsbury High School
64 Holden Street
Shrewsbury, Massachusetts**

Monday, March 2, 2015

Present: Dr. Dale Magee, Chairperson; Mr. Jason Palitsch, Vice Chairperson; Ms. Erin Canzano, Secretary; Ms. Sandy Fryc; Mr. John Samia; Dr. Joseph Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Mary Beth Banios, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Barb Malone, Director of Human Resources; Ms. Cecilia Wirzbicki, Director of Business Services; and Ms. Melissa Maguire, Director of Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services.

The meeting was convened at 6:04 p.m. by Dr. Magee in the Principal's Conference room.

Discussion to inform planning and preparation for the Finance Committee presentation on March 7, 2015

After an initial update from Dr. Sawyer about the status of the budget request and the outcome of the Chapter 70 reform meeting on February 28th, a discussion occurred about the messages to relay to the Finance Committee, beginning with the sustainability of the current budget request, the fact that the budget request is in line, and on the lower end, with what was presented in last year's discussions with the Finance Committee, and that the requests for new positions are linked to mandates and/or innovative measures to keep students in the district. Conversation ensued about the ways in which to express these messages.

Superintendent Evaluation

Dr. Magee has expressed concern about the unwieldy and cumbersome nature of the current Superintendent Evaluation document. He has transferred the questions and rubrics to a more flexible spreadsheet to make the process easier for the committee and for Dr. Sawyer. A conversation occurred about the technicalities of the document and the desire by all to make sure that no open meeting laws are broken during the evaluation process. A possible revamping of the document was proposed to be considered at another time.

Executive Session

At 7:11 pm, on a motion by Jason Palitsch, seconded by John Samia, the committee adjourned into executive session for the purpose of discussion of collective bargaining with the Cafeteria Worker's union. At 7:23 pm, on a motion by Jason Palitsch, seconded by John Samia, the committee adjourned executive session into open session. The roll call vote was as follows: Jason Palitsch, yes; John Samia, yes; Sandy Fryc, yes; Erin Canzano, yes; and Dr. Dale Magee, yes.

Adjournment

On a motion by Erin Canzano, seconded by Sandy Fryc, the committee unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. The roll call vote was as follows: Jason Palitsch, yes; John Samia, yes; Sandy Fryc, yes; Erin Canzano, yes; and Dr. Dale Magee, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin H. Canzano
Secretary