

GUILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

Workshop Meeting

Melissa Jones Elementary School

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Bill Bloss called the meeting to order at 7:35. Board members present were Bill Bloss, Alan Meyers, Ted Zuse, Keith Bishop, Barbara Dudley, Mary Beeman, Kathy Nolan, and Linda Sanacora. Also present were Thomas Forcella, Andy Potchney, Cliff Gurnham and Linda Trudeau.

2. ACT ON Transportation Contract

Mr. Bishop presented a summary of transportation bids. Mr. Bishop stated that Student Transportation of America (STA) was the low bidder and the committee is recommending that the bid be awarded to them. Mr. Bishop commented that First Student has done a great job for the district but their bid was the higher than STA's bid.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Meyers and seconded by Mrs. Beeman, the Board voted 7 in favor of and 1 abstention to reject the bids received for transportation services.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Meyers and seconded by Mrs. Beeman the Board voted 7 in favor of and 1 abstention to waive the bidding of transportation services.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Meyers and seconded by Mrs. Beeman, the Board voted 7 in favor of and 1 abstention to enter into a contract with STA for transportation services based on their revised proposal.

3. Set Dates for Discussion on Facilities Issues

The Board reviewed a timeline to set dates for discussions regarding facilities issues. The tentative meeting dates are:

July 7 and July 10 with George Goens, July 28, August 11, August 25, September 4, September 8 and September 10.

4. Executive Session

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Nolan and seconded by Mrs. Dudley, the Board voted to go into executive session at 8:25 p.m. for the purposes of discussing a legal matter and also to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. and voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Forcella
Superintendent of Schools