

Pawcatuck Middle School  
SBIT  
February 4, 2008  
Minutes of Meeting

In attendance: S. Agnello, D. Beverly, J. Giulini, P. Krause-Choquette, L. Masterjoseph, M. Rogerson

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Minutes of the February meeting were read and held for the next meeting since there was no quorum.

Principal's Report:

Mrs. Giulini discussed the Nutmeg Games which were held on January 25 for 5<sup>th</sup> graders at PMS and MMS. To qualify, forty of our students read a minimum of 5 books from the list of CT Children's Book Awards. They spent a day of reading-related activities, friends, and fun at MMS. The Nutmeg Games were initiated and facilitated by Library Media Specialist Karen Chapman and Bevin Winner.

Mrs. Giulini reported that over 900 warm items were donated by PMS families to our annual Coat and Sweater Drive. All were donated to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center.

The Middle School Math Night, held at SHS, was very successful, with approximately 165 parents and children in attendance. Leanne Masterjoseph reported on the Family Math Night. She noted that families were all engaged in the many math activities offered. All MMS and PMS math teachers participated. It was noted that child participation seems to be key to increased family involvement.

Mrs. Giulini shared verbal snapshots of the active learning opportunities activities that are ongoing throughout the school, noting that instruction is intentional and learning is exciting.

New Business:

Mrs. Giulini will create a committee at PMS for the Peleg Barber initiative.

The basketball team eligibility addendum for the Athletic Handbook has been approved by the district Athletic Committee.

The SBIT agreed that the first or second week of April is the best window of time for the next Parents Night.

The first annual PMS Learning Expo is slated for March 26. Planning is underway.

Rebekah Kepple, Outreach Coordinator of the Save the Bay initiative based in Providence, was a guest at the meeting. She shared that Save the Bay has opened an office in Westerly, RI to better serve the South County Coast. She distributed materials about the project which is similar to Project O at UCONN.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.