

WBSS SBIT Agenda
November 27, 2007

5:00 pm – Call to Order

Members in Attendance: Terry Jordan, Hayden Conley, Kelli Hebert, Leanne Masterjoseph, Barb Becker, Lori Taylor, April Smith, Elyse Stewart

Business Items:

Math Night

Math Team Leaders are holding a district math night on January 16th at 6:30 p.m. at the SHS. The SBIT will not plan to host one now. It was suggested that parents could be asked to fill out an evaluation form so that we could get some feedback on the district math night before moving forward (or not) with a school math night.

Review Handbook

SBIT members reviewed the Handbook prior to last month's meeting. Changes were made to the first DRAFT of the Handbook, and a final copy of the Handbook was distributed at this meeting. No additional changes were proposed at this meeting. The Handbook was adopted.

2008-2009 Proposed Budget

Building budget needs to be turned into Central Office by December 14. The budget is being developed to reallocate current funds to the following line items, based on demonstrated need: Field trips, professional development, instructional and non-instructional materials and both new and old equipment.

Book Chat Night- December 11th at 6:30 p.m.

The night will focus on self-esteem. The team decided to use The Important Book by Margaret Wise Brown and a video clip as a part of the Launch for the evening. The final planning meeting time and date will be shared with all members so all can attend, if available.

Community – “Healthy Eating, Healthy Living” confirmed with Mary Ann Nash for January – WBSS will sponsor and we will invite each school community to attend.

Discussion Items:

Board of Education Updates (April Smith)

- December 6, 7:00-Budget Meeting
Purpose: To get input from the community
- Doug Rae was elected to the Board.
- Democratic party is looking for another candidate to replace Ed Haberek, who was voted First Selectman this year.

District Updates (Leanne Masterjoseph)

Forty parents attended the Literacy Hour held at SHS. Professional development in reading has been planned for January for elementary reading instruction. The district is offering an Academy for Learning to staff – professional development opportunities offered by colleagues. All courses are focused on the improvement of instruction. The district has taken a pro-active approach to addressing health concerns like MRSA. The 3 pronged approach includes: the importance of hand washing and teaching students how to; examining and improving the way we clean our facilities; providing information to parents via the website. Mr. McKee returned from China and has established a relationship with possible two sister schools.

School Updates (Terry Jordan)

Shared sign showing how we have linked the teaching of hand washing to “It’s Up to Me.” Shared the new It’s Up to Me magnets that were sent home. Explained content of NCLB Parent Involvement Meeting on Reading that was scheduled for 6:30 pm., immediately following the meeting.

Parent Updates/Questions/Concerns

Comments by Citizens

Decision Items:

SBIT Handbook Approval

Math Night date/content

Book Chat Night date/content

Budget Recommendations

Community – “Healthy Living” with Mary Ann Nash

Adjourned: 6:30 p.m.