

Newburyport School Committee Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

Sub-Committee: Communications
Meeting Date: September 12, 2008
In Attendance: Stephanie Weaver, Nick deKanter, Dana Hooper, Kevin Lyons
Absent:

(1) Set Regular Meeting Date for 2008/2009 School Year

- ▶ First Friday of each month. 3:30pm in the Supt. Conference Room. This may change to earlier in the day as people's schedules change.
- ▶ These dates include: 10/3, 11/7, 12/5, 1/2, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, & 6/5

(2) Goals for the Year

- ▶ **Three goals for the year (these are the general categories...descriptions will be solidified over the next two weeks):**
 1. **E-Newsletter** – Publish every 6-8 weeks.
 2. **Public Conversation Topics & Lecture Workshop Series**– Engaging the community in conversation before meetings. Holding a series of speakers/forums during the schoolyear that help to highlight the strategic goals for our district.
 3. **Communication plan for securing funding to meet school needs**
Communicating the fiscal realities and challenges that face our district

(3) Contract – Talking Points

1. **We will discuss during Executive Session at next meeting.**

(4) Ch. 70 Reform – David Whelan's proposal

Mr. Whelan will be at Monday's meeting. After the committee has a chance to ask questions, we can see if his proposal is something we as a district are interested in supporting.

NEXT STEPS:

1. Steph to email Nick, Dana and Kevin the first take at descriptions for the goals. She will gather group feedback and complete revision for final approval by subcommittee members. These will be submitted to Gordy prior to the 10/3 meeting with Kim Hardy.
2. Steph to email committee as a whole to get subject/topc suggestions for public conversation.

Next **meeting date:** **Friday, October 3rd at 3:30pm in the Superintendent's Conference Room**