

Reading Public Schools
Reading, Massachusetts

Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Executive Session

Date: June 16, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Superintendent's Office

School Committee Members Present

Lisa Gibbs

Elaine Webb

Karen Janowski

Chris Caruso

Chuck Robinson

David Michaud

Staff Members Present

Patrick A. Schettini, Jr.-Superintendent of Schools

John Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Mary DeLai, Director of Human Resource and Finances

Other Visitors

Ellen Doucette, Town Counsel

Scott Dunlap, AI3

Peter Hechenbleikner, Town Manager

I. Executive Session

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Robinson called the Executive Session to order at 7:00 p.m.. Roll call order was taken for all members.

1. Building Project

Ellen Doucette and Scott Dunlap updated the committee on the litigation involving TLT.

2. Negotiation Agreements

Superintendent Schettini explained the role of the Town Manager regarding collective bargaining agreement negotiations and that the Town Manager votes on collective bargaining agreements.

Superintendent Schettini, Chairperson Robinson, and Committee Member Webb updated the committee and Mr. Hechenbleikner on tentative negotiation agreements with the Teachers, Custodians, Educational Assistants, and Secretaries.

Teachers Contract

The committee voted on a motion by Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mrs. Gibbs, to accept the contract agreement with the Reading Teachers' Association as outlined in the Superintendent's memorandum to the Reading School Committee dated June 16, 2008 with the attached contract changes for the years September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011. Also, to further move to authorize the Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the Committee and to handle any minor editorial corrections. Roll call vote approved 7-0.

Secretaries Contract

The committee voted on a motion by Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Michaud, to accept the contract agreement with the Reading Administrative Secretaries Association as outlined in the Superintendent's memorandum to the School Committee dated June 16, 2008 with the attached contract changes for the years July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011. Also, to further move to authorize the Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the Committee and to handle any minor editorial corrections. Roll call vote approval 6-0-1. Mr. Hechenbleikner abstained.

Para-educators Contract

The committee voted on a motion by Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Michaud, to accept the contract agreement with the Reading Paraeducators Association as outlined in the Superintendent's memorandum to the School Committee dated June 16, 2008 with the attached contract changes for the years July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011. Also, to further move to authorize the Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the Committee and to handle any minor editorial corrections. Roll call vote approval 7-0.

Custodians and Maintenance Contract

The committee voted on a motion by Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mrs. Janowski, to accept the contract agreement with the Reading Custodial and Maintenance Employee Association as outlined in the Superintendent's memorandum to the School Committee dated June 16, 2008 with the attached contract changes for the years July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011. Also, to further move to authorize the Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the Committee and to handle any minor editorial corrections. Roll call vote approval 7-0.

II. Adjournment

The committee voted on a motion by Mr. Michaud, seconded by Mrs. Webb, to adjourn executive to enter into Open Session not to return to executive. Roll call vote 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.