
**Portsmouth School Board
Portsmouth, New Hampshire**

Minutes of the April 8, 2008 Meeting

A meeting of the Portsmouth School Board was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers at Portsmouth City Hall.

Attendance

PRESENT: Dr. Mitchell Shuldman (Chair), Mr. Brendan Ristaino (Vice-Chair), Ms. Rebecca Emerson, Ms. Sheri Ham Garrity, Mr. Kent F. LaPage, Mrs. Leslie Stevens, Mrs. Lisa Sweet, and Mrs. Ann Walker

ABSENT: Mr. Dexter Legg and Ms. Abigail Rockefeller (Student Representative)

PARTICIPATING: Dr. Robert J. Lister (Superintendent of Schools), Mr. Stephen Zadravec (Assistant Superintendent), Mr. Stephen T. Bartlett (Business Administrator), Mrs. Linda Briolat (Employee Representative) and Mrs. Ann Mayer (SAU 50 Representative)

***Non-Public Meeting
with Counsel***

The non-public meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Call to Order

Chair Shuldman called the regular meeting of the Portsmouth School Board to order at 7:00 p.m.

***Moment of Silent
Reflection and
Pledge of Allegiance***

Chair Shuldman called for a moment of silent reflection, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Lister mentioned that during the silent reflection we should keep in mind the Town of Greenland and the Greenland Central School for the recent death of one of their students, Ms. Mary Gaulin, a teacher at the Portsmouth Middle School, whose father passed away recently, Ms. Joan Christy, a librarian at the Portsmouth High School, whose father also passed away recently, and Ms. Gerry Brigham, a former Portsmouth High School Science Teacher, who passed away on Saturday, April 5, 2008. He further suggested that we should keep in mind the active military men and women who are serving to protect us as well as all of the veterans. Dr. Lister also asked that we keep Ms. Abigail Rockefeller, our Student Board Representative, in mind while she undergoes surgery for a recent injury while playing field hockey.

Approval of Minutes

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The minutes of the March 25, 2008 Board meeting were presented for approval. Vice-Chair Ristaino moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Key Dates for
Middle School
Community
Meetings***

Communications

Dr. Lister reported that key dates for the development of the Middle School design concepts were established between the School Board, the City and JCJ Architects (JCJ) and that as of yesterday, April 7, 2008, JCJ has commenced the staff interviews to begin updates to the school programming. He further noted that there are dates (April 21, May 19, and June 23, 2008) listed for Chair Shuldman to make his reports to the City Council. Dr. Lister also stated that there would be four program community workshops in order to maximize public knowledge of the project. These workshops would take place during evenings as well as afternoons to accommodate work schedules. These workshops will take place on Tuesday, May 6 and June 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, May 7 and June 10 at 3:30 p.m. The location of these workshops has not been determined. Mr. Bartlett noted that on the list of dates the June 9 and 10, 2008 times were reversed and stated that Ms. Suzanne Woodland would be notified of the time corrections.

***Coalition
Communities***

Dr. Lister reported that he received an e-mail from Ms. Pat Remick from the Coalition Communities regarding the status of the legislation regarding the Education Funding Proposal. Dr. Lister stated he would update the Board on any developments as he receives them regarding education funding and that Ms. Remick is very willing to address the Board at anytime.

***Donderific
Newsletter***

Dr. Lister noted that a copy of the *Donderific Newsletter* from Dondero School has been distributed to all of the School Board members. He also reported that he has spoken to all of the School Principals to be sure that the School Board receives all school correspondence and newsletters to keep them apprised of events happening at all of the schools.

Rotary Scholarship

Vice-Chair Ristaino distributed notification of a new career technical scholarship being awarded by the Rotary Club of Portsmouth Sunrise for the 2008 - 2009 school year. This scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance to students who wish to enroll in an accredited career technical program. Vice-Chair Ristaino stated that one scholarship may be awarded in the amount not to exceed \$2,500 per year, for a period of two years, depending upon the financial needs of the applicant.

RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS

Resignations

Mr. Zadavec reported that Ms. Amy Beaudet is resigning from her position as an Earth Science teacher at the Portsmouth High School. She was originally hired the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year as a part-time Visual Arts teacher. For the 2007-2008 school year she is teaching Earth Science. She will complete two years with the Portsmouth School Department.

Motion: Vice-Chair Ristaino moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker to accept the resignation of Ms. Amy Beaudet. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Zadavec further reported that Mr. Michael Anderson is resigning from his position as a fifth grade teacher at Dondero School. He was originally hired the beginning of the 1999-2000 school year. He will complete nine years with the Portsmouth School Department.

Motion: Mrs. Walker moved, seconded by Ms. Garrity to accept the resignation of Mr. Anderson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Nomination

Mr. Zadavec reported that Ms. Amy L. Noble has been nominated to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools. Ms. Noble was recently the Executive Assistant to the Vice President/General Manager at Martignetti Companies of New Hampshire.

Motion: Ms. Garrity moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker to accept the nomination of Ms. Amy L. Noble as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools. The motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL

March Financials

Mr. Bartlett reported that the March financials were not ready for distribution at this meeting and, upon completion, will be sent to the Board members for their input. Chair Shuldman explained that typically the monthly financials are presented during the second meeting in the month and that April has only one meeting scheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY SESSION

Support for Dr. Robert Lister

Mr. Joe Arnstein, 37 Foch Avenue, Portsmouth. Mr. Arnstein is a Portsmouth High School Latin teacher. Mr. Arnstein was present to address the Board in support of the contract renewal for Dr. Robert Lister, Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Arnstein stated that there are two different kinds of teachers that submit their intents to retire; one who

makes the decision and notifies everyone with their focus shift from what they should be doing day to day to what they will be doing once they retire. The other type seems to hide the fact that they will be retiring and focus on what they should be doing every day at work right up to their last day. Mr. Arnstein stated that the Board is fortunate that Dr. Lister is the second type of teacher. He asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009.

Mrs. Linda Briolat, 260 Thornton Street, Portsmouth. Mrs. Briolat is a Little Harbour School grade 4 teacher, School Board Employee Representative, APT Grievance Committee and Negotiation Committee member. Mrs. Briolat also supports the contract renewal for Dr. Lister. Mrs. Briolat wanted the Board to realize that she is the grievance chairperson for the APT and has been able to work out situations with Dr. Lister that may have otherwise cost the school department quite a lot of money. She stated that she has known Dr. Lister for thirty-two years and that he is the type of person who supports the teachers and the students and is truly concerned for the education of all of the students within the system. She asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009.

Mrs. Paulette Hoeflich, 647 Long John Road, Rye. Mrs. Hoeflich is the Director of Student Services for the Portsmouth School Department. Mrs. Hoeflich also spoke in support of the contract renewal for Dr. Lister. She stated that she has worked with Dr. Lister for thirty years and has found him to be a mentor to her and numerous teachers. Mrs. Hoeflich stated that Dr. Lister is for the kids, the parents, the community, and is always for the best interest of the Portsmouth School Department. Mrs. Hoeflich stated that a search for the right replacement will take some time. Mrs. Hoeflich stated that Dr. Lister should be allowed to finish out his career after being dedicated for so long to this community. She asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009.

Mrs. Nancy Roy 248 Willard Avenue, Portsmouth. Mrs. Roy is the Sherburne School/Pass Program Principal. Mrs. Roy also spoke in support of the contract renewal for Dr. Lister. Mrs. Roy reminded the Board that when searching for a replacement that the mission of the school department is kept mindful. She stated that during the next year, in putting together a search committee, that we have a process that is strategic, focused, planned and communicated during the interview process. She stated that the search for a replacement should take enough time to find the right "fit" to continue the educational initiatives currently in place. She asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009.

Mrs. Nancy Novelline Clayburgh, 405 F.W. Hartford Drive, Portsmouth.

Mrs. Clayburgh is a Portsmouth City Councilor and the former School Board Vice-Chair. She asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009. Mrs. Clayburgh stated that she would like to address the newer Board members, as the older members know where she stands as far as her feelings about Dr. Lister. She stated that Dr. Lister has brought us Mr. Jeff Collins who has brought the spirit back to Portsmouth High School. She also stated that through collaboration with the City, Dr. Lister brought us Rus Wilson as our Athletic Director. Mrs. Clayburgh also stated that the high school is ranked seven and eight out of one hundred twelve reporting centers in reading, math and writing. Dr. Lister worked successfully with City Manager, John Bohenko and City Finance Director, Judy Belanger in reducing the \$500,000 special education deficit. She further mentioned that under Dr. Lister's leadership, Dr. Lister brought full-time kindergarten within the Portsmouth School Department. Mrs. Clayburgh stated that Dr. Lister is an asset to not only the school department but also the entire community. She asked the Board to extend Dr. Lister's contract and allow him to retire June 30, 2009.

Mr. Mike Ronchi, 307 Ocean Road, Portsmouth. Mr. Ronchi is a Portsmouth resident and parent who has put two children through the Portsmouth school system. Mr. Ronchi spoke in support of the contract renewal for Dr. Lister and stated that it would be a benefit for not only the school but the entire City of Portsmouth.

***NH Educational
Media Association's
Annual Conference***

Ms. Kathy Pearce, 875 Woodbury Avenue, Portsmouth, NH. Ms. Pearce read a letter addressed to the School Board inviting them to attend the NH Educational Media Association's Annual Conference to be held on May 14, 2008 at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH. Ms. Pearce stated that Mr. Nate Greenberg, Londonderry Superintendent of Schools and former Portsmouth Superintendent of Schools would be the keynote speaker addressing "*One Superintendent's Perspective: How Library Media Specialists Can Promote the Role of Integrated Library Services for the 21st Century Learner*".

Chair Shuldman closed the public commentary at 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

***Article from
Attorney Robert
Sullivan regarding
e-mails***

Chair Shuldman stated that Attorney Robert Sullivan would be invited to discuss the use of e-mail exchanges as a form of public meetings and how this may violate the "*Right-to-Know Law*" at the May 13, 2008 School Board meeting.

***Middle School
Update***

Chair Shuldman stated at the last Board meeting he had informed the Board that the entire architectural team from JCJ was in attendance at the

Middle School during that day and the next day doing a site investigation, a building investigation and an educational investigation. This knowledge, through conversations with the administration and staff as to what goes on in the Middle School and requests and suggestions from the teachers and administration, allows the architects to design a middle school with the knowledge of what goes on within the building. Chair Shuldman also reported that JCJ has received the existing condition documents that the City had from previous investigations. He further informed the Board that in a conversation with Ms. Lisa DeStefano of DeStefano Architects that there are three phases to the process; Building Investigations, Educational Investigations and Public Investigations. Chair Shuldman stated that the key dates for the development of the Middle School design concepts were established between the School Board, the City and JCJ Architects (JCJ). These dates are:

Week of April 7, 2008 - JCJ to commence staff interviews to begin update to programming.

April 21, 2008 - School Board Report to City Council

May 6, 2008 - Program Community Workshop at 7:00 p.m. (location to be determined)

May 7, 2008 - Program Community Workshop at 3:30 p.m. (location to be determined)

May 13, 2008 - Tentative School Board approval of program

May 14, 2008 - Schematic design initiated by JCJ

May 19, 2008 - School Board Report to City Council

June 9, 2008 - Schematic Design Community Workshop at 7:00 p.m. (location to be determined)

June 10, 2008 - Schematic Design Community Workshop at 3:30 p.m. (location to be determined)

June 23, 2008 - Joint meeting of the School Board and the City Council

June 24, 2008 - Tentative School Board approval/selection of Schematic Design

July 1, 2008 - Tentative School Board meeting, if necessary, to approve/select Schematic Design

July 2008 - JCJ presentation of final report to School Board

Ms. Emerson questioned as to when does the School Board present the educational curriculum needs to the architects and was informed by Chair Shuldman that this is currently going on at the Middle School by the administration and faculty. Dr. Lister stated that the architects are meeting with every teacher at the Middle School, then himself and Mr. Zdravec and lastly the School Board. Chair Shuldman stated that they would also meet with the community for their input during the community workshops. Mr. LaPage stated that previous Team Design documents are also being used to help the architects formulate the new building plans.

Mr. John Gregg, 69 Hunking Street, Portsmouth. Mr. Gregg, Chairperson

Cable Commission

of the Cable Commission for the City of Portsmouth, addressed the School Board on the opportunity of an educational channel. This educational channel would be for the school department exclusively for getting information out to the public. Mr. Gregg informed the Board that the Cable Commission was formed to negotiate a franchise agreement with the cable provider, Comcast, for the City of Portsmouth and to oversee this franchise during the period that it is in effect. The members of the commission are: Ms. Kathy Pearce, Ms. Nancy Beech, Mr. Brian Gregg, Mr. Louis Vinciguerra, and Mr. Gary Lowe. Mr. Gregg stated that the current franchise expires in June 30, 2008 and typically run for ten years. Mr. Gregg stated that after meeting with the Portsmouth School Department in 2005 and 2007, there was interest in an educational channel. A telephone survey was conducted by the University of NH to ascertain what the public thought of an educational channel. Mr. Gregg stated that of the parents with children under eighteen years of age 77% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel devoted to school programs, 77% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel for reports from school officials, 77% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel for broadcasts of school productions, 63% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel for school and community sporting events, 70% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel for news about Portsmouth schools, and 70% of those surveyed wanted an educational channel for creative programs produced by high school students. Mr. Gregg stated that once an affirmation has been made by the school board that they have an interest in an educational channel, the school department would have ten years to make use of this channel, but no earlier than the fall of 2009. Mr. Gregg stated that the school department would be responsible for all costs associated with the staffing, programming and operating costs of this channel. The school department would also have to insure the adequate use of this channel with a certain percentage of the day showing programs of interest to the public, not necessarily a rolling billboard. Mrs. Walker questioned the costs involved and how much the wiring would be. Mr. Gregg stated that the staff position could be someone already within the system and that the wiring would be a capital cost of approximately \$20,000. Mr. Gregg further stated that the Cable Commission asked the City Council to set aside some annual funding in the Capital Improvement Plan for capital expenditures. A discussion of associated costs, equipment and educational value took place. Mr. Gregg stated that there would be no annual costs to Comcast. The Cable Commission would take all the information of the franchise to the City Council for their approval. Mr. Gregg stated that there are lists of policies that would govern what is televised. Mr. LaPage stated that a public hearing would need to be held if the School Board decides to further its interest in an educational channel. Mr. Gregg stated that communication with towns that have educational channels would be very beneficial. Mrs. Pearce stated that

Londonderry has a television station and a low power FM station both dedicated to education. She stated that Londonderry has run programs on weather, a day in the life of a first-grader to help ease some of the parents anxiety, teacher-made programs about classroom initiatives, and programs to educate the community. Mr. Gregg stated that the Manchester educational channel also puts their programs on the web.

Motion: Vice-Chair Ristaino moved, Mrs. Walker seconded to express that the School Board is interested in exploring an educational channel. The motion was unanimously approved

***Vote on School
Board Objectives***

Chair Shuldman stated that at the School Board retreat on February 9, 2008, School Board Objectives were established. He further stated that these objectives were voted on at the March 25, 2008 meeting at the Little Harbour School with one amendment, but the Board felt that they would like to publicly read through them and again ask for the motion to accept and adopt these objectives.

1. Developing a 5-year plan for program development and curriculum revision, guided by a vision of learner expectations for graduating 12th graders.
2. Develop a strategic plan in Technology focused on a vision for broad integration throughout the curriculum.

Chair Shuldman stated that this has already started to take place with the Technology Committee, bringing together a broader group of people to put together a technology plan.

3. Create an Ad Hoc committee to explore issues related to Special Education and report back to the school board with the goal of engaging the community in developing a shared knowledge, proposed approaches and recommendations with costs and funding of special education programs and goals.

Chair Shuldman stated that Dr. Lister has already started to put together this Ad Hoc committee.

4. Communicate the educational needs and process associated with the renovation of the current middle school with clarity and transparency.
5. Develop a Quality Educational Metrics Index including, but not limited to per pupil ratios, class size, dropout rates, student assessments, and budget allocations as a way of creating a clear criteria for spending priorities.
6. Develop specific strategies for improving communication and community relations including frequent communication about Portsmouth schools and opportunities to engage the community in conversation about school related issues.
7. Collaborate with a number of City departments to bring greater benefits to the community through maximizing efficiency and cost effectiveness of resources.

Motion: Vice-Chair Ristaino moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker to accept and adopt the School Board objectives of 2008. The motion was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Portsmouth Safe Schools Team

Dr. Lister stated that the Portsmouth Safe Schools Team, which has existed for seven or eight years, has three initiatives that they look at with the assistance of the police, fire and other City departments:

1. Student/School Safety
2. Substance Abuse with students
3. Underage Drinking.

Dr. Lister stated that the team uses the results of the *Youth Risk Behavior Survey* that the NH State Department of Education has made available as a tool to assist the team. This is a behavior survey administered in 2001, 2005 and 2007 to high school students across the State to provide information regarding adolescent behavior. He noted that progress has been made within the Portsmouth High School in some areas, but not in others. Some of the survey topics are the use of alcohol, sexual activity, the wearing of helmets while riding a bicycle, the wearing of a seat belt while riding in a car, and the use of inhalants and drugs. Dr. Lister stated that one item that is omitted on this survey is the use of prescription drugs and that he has written to the State Department for the inclusion of this on the survey. Dr. Lister stated that the 2001 and 2005 results were discussed by the administration and brought before the School Board to share with the community. He wants the parents to be aware and take an active role in deterring these adolescent behaviors especially during the prom and graduation season when activities may become increased. Dr. Lister stated that a press conference with the police, other departments within the City and surrounding towns, SAU 50 and the media is being scheduled to highlight some of the issues for community involvement. This press conference will take place at City Hall and Dr. Lister will notify the Board of the date and time once the press conference is organized. . He further stated that he is looking for community assistance whether developing programs, funding, or help from citizens with expertise in some of these areas. The results of the survey are available at the Superintendent's office for anyone in the community to review.

Ms. Emerson questioned Dr. Lister regarding the percentage of students who had been taught in school about AIDS or HIV infection. She felt that this number should reflect 100% instead of the 89% the survey results reported. Dr. Lister reassured her that the Portsmouth students are all made aware of AIDS or HIV infection and that this 89% is for the entire State of NH.

Mr. LaPage stated that after reviewing the survey over the three survey

years he is frightened because he noticed that numerous areas are going back up. He is worried about the thought of violence and students feeling unsafe.

Motion: Mr. LaPage moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Ristaino to have a work session with SAU 50 sometime in June 2008 to better understand the results of the *Youth Risk Behavior Survey*. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Lister stated that Dr. Cushing of SAU 50 is very involved in all of the Safe Schools Team meetings and has asked that he could report the same information that was discussed at tonight's meeting to his school boards.

Mrs. Walker and Mr. LaPage raised concern regarding the sample size of 1,638 students that the State used. Mr. Zadavec explained that participation is voluntary and some schools may choose to only give the survey to the minimum sample size and some schools give it to the whole school. Portsmouth chooses to give it to the entire high school population. What Portsmouth gets back for information is a better overall picture for us to use for our purposes. He further explained that if the State compiled them in the aggregate and put them all together the numbers would be skewed. The State takes a representative sample to represent the entire State.

Mr. Collins stated that the 2007 report slightly differs from the 2005 report. Mr. Collins stated that the high school staff and administration will be reviewing all the data very thoroughly. This information is shared with the Parent Advisory Council.

Mrs. Mayer stated that upon her review of the survey she found it interesting to note that when students were questioned about playing video/computer games or using a computer for something that is not schoolwork for 2 or more hours per day, we are up to three plus hours. She felt that when the survey is revised that we get more data on the use of chat rooms, programs on the computer that students would not be allowed to watch on television and whether or not their computer is in their room. She also agreed with Dr. Lister regarding the need for a question on prescription drugs.

Mrs. Sweet commends the school system for their 100% participation in this survey as it shows the students that the school department cares for them and wants to further discuss the survey results.

Dr. Lister wanted to follow-up with a question raised by Ms. Garrity regarding school lockouts. Dr. Lister informed the Board that the schools do have lockout drills and evacuations and would like to further discuss

Lockouts

this topic with the Principals present at the work session.

**Policy Committee
Student Conduct
Policy**

Dr. Lister reported that the Student Conduct Policy will not be presented for a second reading because there is still discussion about the policy. Dr. Lister stated that questions have been raised that need to be addressed at the next meeting. There is a policy committee meeting this Friday, April 11th at 4:30 p.m.

**School Calendar
2008-2009 Early
Release Days**

Mr. Zadavec reported that the school calendar for 2008-2009 reflects the six early release days. He stated that it was important to have one prior to the fall State testing and to space the remaining over the year, keeping in mind school vacations and school assessments.

Motion: Ms. Garrity moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker to approve the 2008-2009 school calendar to include the six early release days. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Garrity questioned whether or not a more consistent scheduling of early release days was considered to accommodate parents. Mr. Zadavec stated that it was a concern and was discussed but the committee felt that it was more mindful of the spacing of the dates. Mr. Zadavec stated that the school department would be vigilant in informing the parents. Ms. Garrity also suggested that these dates be widely published in the school newspapers/newsletters.

**Sustainability
Committee**

Dr. Lister notified everyone of *The First Annual Portsmouth Sustainability Fair* on Saturday, April 19th at the Portsmouth Middle School from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This fair will include workshops on saving energy, organic lawncare, environmentally friendly cleaning products, solar and geothermal heating, and fuel-efficient transportation. The Portsmouth School Department will be a co-sponsor with the City of Portsmouth, Portsmouth Listens and the Piscataqua Sustainability Initiative. Mrs. Walker is involved with the Sustainability Committee and reported that the City of Portsmouth has voted to become an eco municipality. She explained that the background for the development of the Sustainability Committee was through CCP (The Cities for Climate Protection) and in November 2006 the City signed on to become a community heading toward sustainable practices, which is organized by ICLEI (International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives). Their goal is to reduce energy consumption and corresponding greenhouse emissions through a local plan of action. In November 2006, when Portsmouth became an eco municipality, the first step was to establish a base year of energy consumption. The base year became 2006, and that year the City government created 15,269 tons of carbon and the entire City of Portsmouth created 679,840 tons of carbon. The second step was to lower carbon and to provide education, thus, the creation of *the First*

Annual Sustainability Fair. Activities will take place at the Portsmouth Middle School and the Portsmouth City Library. Ms. Emerson stated that she thinks this fair is wonderful and wonders what she could do to assist. Mrs. Walker stated that Mr. James Noucas is in charge of volunteers and if anyone wants to volunteer to contact Mr. Noucas.

Dr. Lister had asked Chair Shuldman to appoint a member to the Special Education Task Force/Ad Hoc Committee. Chair Shuldman stated that Mrs. Lisa Sweet will represent the Board on this Committee.

***Special Education
Task Force/Ad Hoc
Committee***

Mrs. Walker commented on how impressed she was with the presentation of Rachel's Challenge and the behavior of the students at this assembly. Mrs. Stevens questioned whether or not the *Rachel's Challenge* could be acquired for all of the students. Mr. Zadavec stated that after that presentation a project was formed called *Friends of Rachel's* to continue the work and it would be a great idea for this group to distribute the challenge.

Other

Mrs. Walker also stated that the Dondero program, "*Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader*", was fabulous and commended Dr. Lister and Mr. Zadavec for their participation.

Ms. Emerson questioned the availability of the City Council Chambers for the second School Board meeting of the month. Dr. Lister stated that he spoke to Mrs. Barnaby and was told that the chambers were unavailable on the fourth Tuesday.

NEXT AGENDA

***Agenda Items for
Next Meeting***

1. Attorney Sullivan E-Mails
2. Attorney Robert Ducharme - Educational Endowment
3. Scholarship Request for approval
4. Other

Chair Shuldman stated that if there are other items for the next agenda, please e-mail them to him.

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers at Portsmouth City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

There was no further business to come before the Board. On a motion by Vice-Chair Ristaino, seconded by Ms. Garrity, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert J. Lister
Executive Secretary

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