

Stonington High School
SBIT Minutes
January 20, 2009

Members Present: C. Moore, P. Jeffrey, D. Rea, M. Gillick, S. Bavasso, S. Mueller, D. Wilner, J. Norcross.

Handouts: Mr. McKee's budget presentation and PowerPoint.
Stonington Public School drafts of 2009-2010 calendars.

Meeting started at 5:03p.m.

I. Reports

A. Minutes (11/18/08)-A couple of spelling errors corrected. Third bullet under Principal's Report should read that Mr. Hardison will bring in Jerry Desmond and should also read student participants.

B. Student Report- No report.

C. BOE Reports-

The Future of SBITs-BOE representative, Doug Rea stated that Board members were assigned to the school's SBITs last month. There was discussion about the future of SBITs but it has resolved. M. Gillick asked D. Rea to find out what our goal as an SBIT is in respect to the BOE's goals. D. Rea will report back at the next meeting.

2009-2010 Budget- D. Rea presented handouts of Mr. McKee's presentation. There was discussion on some of the cuts being looked into. M. Gillick asked whether a student/teacher forum would bring some new ideas in reductions. M. Gillick discussed changing the tone to bring a positive spin on the budget. Instead of what has to get cut out, point out what great programs we have in place now. D. Rea will bring this idea to the BOE. CIA classes or Advisor/Advisee could be used as discussion groups about reductions.

D. 2009-2010 Proposed Calendar- Handout of 2 drafts was discussed. J. Norcross discussed the proposed January Staff Development Day as not being beneficial to the teachers at the high school as it is just before exams. Opening day was looked at to start September 3 with Staff Development Days on September 1 and 2 and Teachers Meeting on August 31. D. Rea will take this to the BOE.

E. Principal's Report-S. Murphy was absent so P. Jeffrey gave the report. Course selection for next year will start the week of February 2. CAPT testing will start the first week of March. The schedules of both will be in Bear Essentials. Grants have been written for a course in Robotics and ECommerce and Entrepreneurship. These would not require any new teaching staff as an adjustment would be made in the science and finance classes offered. D. Rea suggested The Coast Guard Academy be approached on the Robotics class. They have a program currently in place.

II. Visitor Comments: None.

III. SBIT Comments: None.

IV. Action-None

V. Agenda

Adjournment-Meeting adjourned at 6:23p.m.