

**LEXINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 25, 2009**  
**Cary Hall, Estabrook Hall**  
**1605 Massachusetts Avenue**

**Present: Superintendent Paul Ash, School Committee Chair Margaret Coppe, School Committee Members Rod Cole, Tom Diaz, Jessie Steigerwald and Mary Ann Stewart. The minutes were taken by Leora Tec.**

**The meeting was convened at 6:37 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order and Welcome** (Margaret Coppe)

**II. Public Comment**

**Lisa Perry-Wood** (precinct 7): There are some suburban school districts which are refusing to partner with the DOE in the administration of the Youth Risk Survey and are doing their own. Are you?

**Paul Ash:** We are continuing to participate with the state as far as I know.

**III. Members' Reports / Members' Concerns**

**Jessie Steigerwald:**

- 1) Thank you to the people who participated in the Stand for Children rally.
- 2) I wonder if anyone attended the meeting on Students and Stress at Temple Isaiah on March 22.
- 3) How do we request an executive session to catch new members up on collective bargaining?

**Rod Cole:** At the Appropriation Committee last night Carl said he wanted to use the money that would have gone into the stabilization fund for SPED overruns.

**IV. Discussion Items**

1. Report of the Financial Review Committee. Presented by Financial Review committee co-chair Bob Boudreau.  
There were comments and questions from the Committee
2. Update on the School Committee's Goal on Technology. Presented by Paul Ash.  
There were comments and questions from the Committee.

3. Student Activity Policy. Presented by Mary Ellen Dunn who requested that the School Committee consider adopting a Student Activity Policy as required by statute. She presented a draft policy statement to the Committee.

Margaret Coppe and Jessie Steigerwald will work on the policy and report back to the Committee.

**V. Action Item**

1. Approval of MCC Online Payment for Fees and Student Activity Field Trips — to be implemented as a test between April and May with full implementation in September 2009.

**Motion to approve MCC online payment for fees and student activity field trips — to be implemented as a test between April and May with full implementation in September 2009 (Diaz, Cole). The motion passed 5-0.**

There were questions and comments from the Committee.

- VI. Motion to recess, to reconvene at the discretion of the chair (Cole, Diaz). The motion passed 5-0.**

**The meeting was recessed at 7:23 p.m.**

**The meeting was adjourned following Town Meeting.**