

**LEXINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, February 26, 2008**  
**Clarke Middle School Auditorium**  
**17 Stedman Road**

**Present: Superintendent Paul Ash, School Committee Chair Tom Diaz, School Committee Members Helen Cohen, Margaret Coppe, Tom Griffiths and student representative Gabe Schonfeld. The minutes were taken by Leora Tec.**

**I. Call to Order and Welcome (Tom Diaz)**

**II. Superintendent's Announcements**

Update on Hastings and LHS principal searches.

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

**Margaret Coppe:** The high school Science Fair is next Tuesday.

**Gabe Schonfeld:** Come judge projects if you have a science background.

**Tom Diaz:** Thank you to the custodians for shoveling the walks. We could have an email list about full-day Kand other topics. We could have office hours four or five hours a week. Thank you to Mr. Sakhuja for allowing us to meet though he could not be here.

**Tom Griffiths:** A web forum is a good idea.

**IV. Discussion**

1. Discussion of Full-Day Kindergarten

Dr. Ash opened the discussion by mentioning that he and Carol Pilarski spoke to the Extended Day directors to find out the impact of full-day kindergarten on their programs. There may need to be busing between schools of kindergarteners. They are putting together an RFP for extended day programs.

Dr. Ash presented the status of full-day kindergarten.

The Committee asked questions and discussed the issues related to full-day kindergarten including how METCO relates to the proposal.

There were comments from audience members.

The superintendent will prepare a packet and a letter to parents about full-day kindergarten for March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- V. **Motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation, not to return to public session** (Cohen, Griffiths). Cohen-aye; Griffiths-aye; Coppe-aye; Diaz-aye.