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Lynne M. Celli, Ph.D.

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Dear Parent / Guardian / Community Member,

The Swampscott Public Schools has a new standing subcommittee of the School Committee that will include citizen representatives, and we are looking for volunteers to fill the openings.

The new subcommittee is called Student Life and Grant Subcommittee. Information about the remit of this committee can be found in the attached. The term of service for this committee will be a minimum of a one year commitment beginning in June 2011. Meetings will generally be scheduled bi-monthly at a mutually agreed upon schedule once all members are confirmed, though additional meetings are scheduled as needed. There will be three citizen advisors appointed by School Committee. If you are interested in serving on this subcommittee, please send an e-mail or letter of interest no later than April 30, 2011 to:

Jaren Landen

School Committee Member /Co-chair of Student Interests and Grants Subcommittee

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or to:

Dr. Lynne M. Celli, Superintendent

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If you have any special expertise that would relate to the work of the subcommittee (i.e. past grant seeking or writing experience, issues pertaining to student life etc...), please share that information with us as well.

It is our hope that this subcommittee will perform a valuable function for the work of the School Committee and School District. I encourage you to give this serious consideration to see if you would like to contribute to your community in this way.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lynne M. Celli

Superintendent of Schools

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Student Life & Grant Subcommittee
Accepted by Swampscott School Committee January 26 2011

Objective: The Subcommittee would identify student life and grant opportunities and assemble a district grant writing team to apply for various grants based on community interests/needs, student interests, and district recommendations in line with district goals. The Subcommittee would also provide an open forum where students, parents, administration, and teachers can voice their opinions in the areas of either grants or student life.

Composition:

- 2 School Committee Members. One school committee member will serve as Chair. The other school committee member and the Student Body Representative will also serve as Co-Vice Chairs
- 2 Administrative officials or teachers appointed by the superintendent or designee
- 2-3 members of the community from the elementary, middle, and high schools
- 1 middle school student, 1 high school student, and the Student Body Rep. on the School Committee. The Student Body Rep. will assist in locating and/or nominating the other high school student with the express approval and guidance of the high school principal. The SMS student would be appointed by the SMS principal.

Goals:

1. To promote communication and serve as a forum for the community, students, school committee, school administration, or teachers to come together to submit or suggest grant or student life opportunities and for the school administration to express grant or student life needs/enrichment opportunities keeping in alignment with district goals.
2. To create awareness of potential academic or student life grant opportunities to help off-set costs; to apply for grants in areas where funding for additional programming is requested or otherwise deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or designee.
3. To engage or appoint other members of the community, as appropriate, to work on academic or student life grant applications (all grants must be approved by the superintendent, principal or designee prior to submission).
4. To consider the creation of a yearly grants calendar to ensure grants are continually being submitted on schedule and to ensure adequate resource to write planned grants.
5. To meet approximately bi-monthly and/or other times as deemed appropriate by the grant writing/approval process.