

GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Announcement

SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCES DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES APPOINTMENT

(For immediate release: Wednesday, June 30, 2010 – Greenwich, CT) Superintendent of Schools Dr. Sidney A. Freund has announced the appointment of Ms. Susan M. Chipouras as the Director of Facilities, effective July 1, 2010. Ms. Chipouras has served as an interim in the position since January of this year. Dr. Freund said, “Susan stepped into the role a few months ago and has already demonstrated her strong leadership and technical skills. She is poised to oversee the completion this summer of over \$12 million in capital projects throughout the District. I am confident in her ability to manage our current projects and to help us plan for improving our infrastructure, and I look forward to working with her toward this end.”

As Director of Facilities, Ms. Chipouras will oversee the facilities, maintenance, and custodial departments for each of the fifteen schools and at Havemeyer. She is also the District’s liaison with the Town departments that serve our schools. Since she has served as the interim in this position, Ms. Chipouras has implemented a computerized maintenance system, worked with parent groups and administrators to better meet school needs, standardized the custodial and maintenance equipment, supervised the development of numerous Requests for Proposals (RFP), and provided a leadership training for head custodians at the schools.

Ms. Chipouras has over 30 years of experience in the construction industry, most recently as the owner and founder of a project management and construction consulting company. In this role, she managed the \$78 million renovation and expansion of Staples High School and the \$22 million conversion of Bedford Middle School to Saugatuck Elementary School for the Town of Westport. She also worked for Turner Construction Company as a senior project manager and purchasing agent. She began her career as a project manager with a New York City based general contracting and construction management firm. After four years with the company, she became a vice president and while managing numerous and various construction projects, she also managed a branch office, implemented electronic operation systems, and developed a new client base. Ms. Chipouras received a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Manhattan College, Riverdale, NY in 1978.

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