

Mr. John Chaffee, Superintendent
Wellesley Public Schools
Wellesley, Mass.

January 15, 1969

Dear Mr. Chaffee:

When we decided to organize a school last November, we did so in large measure to enable our children to continue working together and to sustain them because they had been very let down by a school which had seemed to offer so much and from which we had felt obliged to withdraw them.

No one would choose to organize a new school in mid-autumn. We have had great difficulties; but we have also had some very good fortune. Most important, we have had the good fortune to attract professionally competent young people to come to teach part-time. In addition, a number of parents who are professional teachers are teaching regularly in their fields.

To find a suitable building has been both essential and extremely difficult. For the month of December we were able to rent a well-equipped parochial school. We hoped to be able to continue to rent the school through this June. The order which owns the school offered us the first option to rent the school if we could pay a very high rental offered them by another school. Unfortunately we were not able to exercise our option because we could simply not afford the rent. Once again we have been fortunate. At the last minute, the Wellesley-Natick Unitarian Church has rented us their church building at 348 Weston Road until this June.

At the high school level our school offers the following courses:

American history
World history
English--survey of literature
modern novel
19th century English and American literature
creative writing
dramatics
Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Physical education--calisthenics, folk dancing, games
Hygiene
Nutrition
Mathematics--all levels from algebra through calculus
Music--appreciation, voice, chorus
Art--drawing, painting, pottery
Home economics--cooking, sewing
Leather craft
Manual training--carpentry
French--first through fourth year

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Philosophy
Social relations
Cinematography
Sensitivity groups
Electronics

For the elementary school children the school offers instruction in reading, writing, spelling, general science, geography, history, arithmetic, art, music, manual work, sewing, cooking, dance, and gymnastics, plus a very special course in computer programming.

Our school hours are from 9 to 3:30 five days a week and we follow the public school vacation schedule.

The following persons are teaching in our school:

Arlock, Ira, B.A. Stanford, M.A. in history, teaching experience at Stanford and in Boston public schools; World History, Selected Problems in U. S. History.

Arlock, Penny, B.A. Stanford in creative writing and literature; has taught in Boston public schools; Creative Writing, Contemporary Literature.

Conaway, Brett, B.A. Harvard, in Master of Arts in Teaching program at Harvard, has taught social studies in Newton public school; Social Relations.

Carden, Constance, B.A. Radcliffe, M.A.T. Harvard, has taught in high school; comparative literature, French, American History.

Ciampa, Frances, graduate of New England Conservatory of Music and professional singer; full-time Registrar of the Satya Community School; Singing, Music Appreciation, Chorus, Zen philosophy and meditation.

Deutsch, Judith, B.A. and M.A. in history with work toward Ph. D., taught in N.Y. public schools and directed summer workshops for high school students; History, Modern Dance, Folk Dance.

Deutsch, Marshall, Ph.D. biochemistry; Nutrition and Talks on the prevention of disease and the effects of poor nutrition, drugs, alcohol, tobacco.

Dratz, Edward, B.A. Carleton, Ph.D. chemistry, taught at University of California at Berkeley; Biology.

Dratz, Robin, professional potter; Pottery.

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Green, Nancy, taking semester out of college to be full-time teaching assistant for elementary children's program.

Horowitz, Mark, A.B. candidate Brandeis, 1969; taught in elementary school; 20th Century Novel, Sensitivity Group, Leatherwork.

Houghtaling, Flora, B.A. Wellesley, graduate work Univ. Pittsburgh elementary education, taught at all levels, directed Bilingual School, Belmont 1967-8; French, selected subjects to younger children.

Kipnis, Kenneth B.A. Reed, M.A. Chicago, Ph.D. candidate in philosophy at Brandeis; taught philosophy at M.I.T.; Philosophy.

Klein, Kenneth, Harvard junior in chemistry; appreciation of science with illustrations from chemistry.

Levin, Michael, B.A., M.A. Mathematics; working with younger children on special course on computer programming.

McNally, Terrence, Harvard senior in Social Relations, has taught part-time in sophomore and junior years at high school level; Human Values, Drama--Acting Workshop; Russian Literature.

Parris, Caroline, B.A. Jackson, grad. work Univ. of Hawaii in philosophy, also work in field of nutrition; Philosophy, Nutrition.

Pratt, Patricia, B.S. Colby, grad. work in education at B.U., taught full-time for 7 years in Lexington and Newton elementary schools. Working full-time as Director of Education for our elementary children.

Rockwood, David, B.A. Harvard, M.A.T. program, Harvard; taught sophomore English in West Hartford; Social Relations.

Poole, Rosemary, artist, has taught art classes for adults; Art for elementary children.

Schreiber, William, B.S. Electrical Engineering, Columbia, Ph.D. Applied Physics; Mathematics at all levels for high school.

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Svenson, Tord, B.A. Univ. of Mass., in charge of a radio unit in the National Guard for 6 years; 7 years experience as a research chemist; full-time Educational Coordinator, Electronics, carpentry, Experimental Education, Gymnastics.

Svenson, Suzanne, two and a half years of college; full-time teaching assistant with elementary children.

Zaritsky, Wendy, Radcliffe senior, works part-time in T.V.; Dramatics.

Young, Niels, B.A. Harvard, Director of Research for scientific company, winner of 1968 Museum of Modern Art prize; Physics, Chemistry.

The 41 children in the school at present come from the following towns and fall in age groups as listed below:
Boston, 1; Bolton, 3; Cambridge, 6; Framingham, 3; Holliston, 2; Lexington, 2; Lincoln, 4; Millis, 1; Newton, 4; Saxonville, 1; Sudbury, 3; Wellesley, 9; Weston, 1; Winchester, 1. 8 children from 5 through 12; 3 age 13; 6 age 14; 2 age 15; 16 age 16; 5 age 17; 1 age 18.

Our school was incorporated as a non-profit educational institution on November 30, 1968 under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I am enclosing on a separate page the names, addresses, and occupations of the members of the Board of Directors.

We have taken the necessary steps to request a zoning variance by filing an application with the accompanying fee with the Appeals Board. We understand that our request will be considered at the January meeting of the Appeals Board.

We are doing everything in our power to challenge and help develop our children's abilities to help them to become resourceful, responsible and responsive people in our society. We trust that the Wellesley School Committee will find that our school may be certified as such under the statutes of the Commonwealth.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh Nazor, President
Satya Community School, Inc.

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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ADDRESSES, OCCUPATIONS

Mr. Hugh R. Nazor, Nourse Road, Bolton; President; management consultant, Wyman-Gordon.

Mrs. Flora M. Houghteling, 258 Mill St., Newtonville, Treasurer; French teacher, Murray Rd. High School, Newton. (part-time)

Mr. Alfred I. Maleson, 26 Greenwood St., Newton Centre, Clerk; Professor of Law, Suffolk University Law School.

Mrs. Julia M. Bauer, 215 Boston Post Rd., Weston; Director, Red Barn Nursery School, Weston.

Mrs. Frances Ciampa, 33 Hiram Rd., Framingham; Registrar, Satya Community School.

Mr. Charles Ferguson, Pine Ridge Rd., Lincoln; consultant for audio-visual education, Omnimedia, Inc.

Miss Elizabeth Gordon, 122 Brattle St., Cambridge; student at Satya Community School.

Mr. Eric Hallgrimson, 5 Chouteau Rd., Saxonville; student at Satya Community School.

Mr. Jonas Hallgrimson, 5 Chouteau Rd., Saxonville; Electronics Engineer, U. S. Air Force.

Mr. Mark Hansen, 49 Delmar Rd., Framingham; student at Satya Community School.

Mr. Woodrow T. Hansen, 49 Delmar Rd., Framingham; Professor of History, Quinsigamond Community College.

Miss Nan Houghteling, 258 Mill St., Newtonville; student at Satya Community School.

Mr. Gordon C. Lawson, 362 Emerson Rd., Lexington; Presentations Specialist, Itek Corp.

Miss Sue Lawson, 362 Emerson Rd., Lexington; student, S.C.S.

Mrs. Dorothy Medlar, 12 Balcarres Rd., West Newton; housewife.

Mrs. Janet Wallace, 11 Hayden Pl, Wellesley Hills; Reg'd Nurse. Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Miss Dorothy Wallace, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

ALFRED I. MALESON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
20 DERNE STREET
BOSTON 14, MASSACHUSETTS

January 20, 1969

Mr. Joseph E. Scammon, Building Inspector
Town of Wellesley
525 Washington Street
Wellesley, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Scammon:

Mr. Hugh Nazor, president of the Satya Community School, Inc., has asked me to write to you to explain our position in the use of the premises at 348 Weston Road.

Articles of Incorporation for this school have been filed under Chapter 180 of the General Laws, relating to non-profit corporations. The purpose of the school is to provide for the general education of children at all pre-college levels. The school operated for about one month in temporary quarters in Dover before moving into the Wellesley location.

We are aware of Section 23G of the Zoning By-Laws of Wellesley, and we have asked for a variance so that our presence would not upset the normal procedures of the town. However, the urgency of our problems made it impossible for us to wait for a decision before moving. We had hoped that efforts to enforce the Zoning By-Laws would be withheld until after action has been taken on our application for a variance.

If this should not be the case, then we will rely on our right, under Chapter 40A, Section 2 of the General Laws to use the property for an "educational purpose which is . . . public." (A photocopy of this section is enclosed, with the appropriate clauses underlined.) Although this school charges tuition, it cannot be doubted that it serves a public purpose, in accordance with the clear holding in the case of City of Worcester v. New England Institute and New England School of Accounting, Inc., 335 Mass. 486. A photocopy of that case is enclosed also, with underlining at pages 489, 490, 491, 492, and 493.

As I stated earlier, our hope is that our right to use this property can be secured through the normal procedures of the town. It is for this reason that we have applied for a zoning variance. However, we do intend to rely on our right to this use if we must, and our application does not constitute any waiver of our rights under the General Laws. (See Sisters of Holy Cross v. Brookline, 317 Mass. 486, holding that an application for variance does not constitute a waiver.)

Mr. Joseph E. Scammon

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If there is any other information that I can furnish, I will be pleased to do so.

Very truly yours,


Alfred I. Maleson

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Enclosure

CC: to Hugh Nazor, Nourse Road, Bolton, Massachusetts



TOWN OF WELLESLEY

FIRE DEPARTMENT

WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS 02181

JAMES A. MACFEE
CHIEF ENGINEER

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January 28, 1969

Mr. Mathew Chaet, Property Chairman
Natick-Wellesley Community Church,
348 Weston Road,
Wellesley, Mass. 02181

Dear Sir:

On January 27, 1969, I made an inspection of the Natick-Wellesley Community Church and found the following conditions that must be corrected:

1. Extension cords attached to baseboards.
2. Provide fire extinguishers.
3. Forward to this Department a certificate of flameproofing or remove the drapes in the lower hall.
4. Install exit signs.
5. Panic hardware on exit doors broken, unable to open doors.
6. Fire escape from second floor needs repair.
7. General condition of building is untidy.
8. Clean-up shrubbery, tall grass, and leaves, from around building.

This work should be completed as soon as possible and please advise me when it is done.

Very truly yours,

James A. MacFee

Chief Engineer Fire Department

cc: Board of Selectmen



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Mr. Hugh Nazor, President
Satya Community School,
348 Weston Road,
Wellesley, Mass.

Dear Sir:

On January 27, 1969, I made an inspection of the building owned by the Natick-Wellesley Community Church, located at 348 Weston Road, Wellesley.

I noticed that boys and girls were smoking in a room on the second floor, which is a violation of the law relative to smoking in a public building.

In accordance with Chapter 148, section 28, of the General Laws, I hereby order that smoking be prohibited in any part of this building and that NO SMOKING signs be posted.

Very truly yours,

James A. MacFee

Chief Engineer Fire Department

cc: Board of Selectmen

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Leo L. Laughlin, Commissioner
Massachusetts Department of Public Safety
1010 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

Dear Commissioner Laughlin:

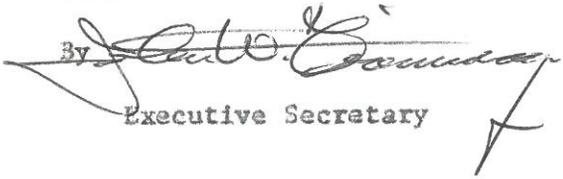
We have been advised that the use by the Satya
Community School of the premises located at 348 Weston Road
in Wellesley is in violation of the provisions of Section 52
of Chapter 143 of the General Laws.

We respectfully request that you give this allegation
your personal attention, and take whatever action you may deem
seasonably appropriate.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation with
respect to this matter.

Very truly yours,

SELECTMEN OF WELLESLEY

By 

Executive Secretary

cc: Senator Locke

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