

**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of September 8, 2008
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Andrew Schalm, Phoebe Sanborn, Angela Comeau

Meeting was called to order at 5:05p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of July 14, 2008. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report-Mr. Charpentier proudly announced the following new hires for the 2008/2009 school year; Mrs. Rebecca Robertson: Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Sarah Cormiea: 5th and 6th Grade Teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Beadle: Special Education Teacher, Ms. Karen Nielson: 7th and 8th Grade Aide, Mr. Marc Rondeau: Technology Education, and Student Teacher Ms. Alyssa Satas.

Soccer and Field Hockey practices have started. The new Coach is Dan Medaglia from Rumney. Three of WES girls are playing field hockey with Russell Elementary School.

Opening Week went smoothly. Students and Staff had a wonderful start to the new school year. Our student enrollment is currently at 56, (not including kindergarten which has 10 students).

Go "green" efforts at school have led to paperless daily announcements. All staff development requests are being submitted electronically along with Curriculum Mapping. Information is being updated on WES website as needed.

The 5-year building improvement plan is moving along nicely. There have been many physical and technological upgrades. The following is a list improvements done this summer:

Front stairs installed with railings, up-grades to the boys and girls bathrooms, asbestos abatement in the nurse's office, hallways and bathrooms, replacement tiles in the hallways, bathrooms, and nurse's office, 12 new computers in the media center, window shades in all

classrooms, LCD projectors, screens and lap top computers in all classrooms, new installation of desk, carpet and cabinets in main office, repainted classroom and hallways, and repair to chimney and gym walls.

IMPORTANT DATES: August 21st First Day of School
September 1st Labor Day/ No School
September 6th Special Town Meeting for Teachers' Contracts
September 8th School Board Meeting
September 9th All school field trip to Squam Lakes Science Center and Rattlesnake Mt. Hike
September 19th Highland Games Field Trip 5th-8th grade
September 23rd School Pictures

KUDOS

To Mr. Richard Young for all of his work preparing the building for opening day. The building looks great.

To Eric Young for volunteering a lot of time this summer helping get the building ready for the beginning of school. Thank you.

To Mr. Jon Francis for his attention to details as well as all the work he did keeping all the vendors on their timetable in order to get the work done on time for school to open in August.

To all the vendors for their outstanding work.

To Marc Rondeau for making sure all the new computers in the lab were set up and ready to go for opening day.

To all the faculty and staff of WES for their loyalty, commitment and dedication to this school and its children.

To those community members that attended Saturday's special meeting to vote on the new teachers contracts. Thank you for your support.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items – Dr. Gaides spoke with both Mr. Halloran and Mr. Korade with regard to Mr. Rondeau and the technology needs at WES. All agree that Mr. Rondeau can take care of the daily technical needs at school without consent from Mr. Korade. Mr. Korade supports the network/server infrastructure, not the daily technical issues.

Discussion ensued regarding Wentworth Elementary School bringing Kindergarten back for the 2009/2010 school year. Mr. Charpentier is investigating the cost of an addition and what could be expected from State funding.

Privilege of the Floor #1- Angela Comeau asked how often classroom observations happened and by whom. Mr. Charpentier explained that observations were once a year and done by himself. Ms. Comeau also asked if the Superintendent participated in the classroom observations. Dr. Gaides explained that it is the role of the principal to do classroom observations. Dr. Gaides does classroom walkthroughs whenever she visits WES.

Privilege of the Floor #2- Andy Schalm thanked the School Board Members and Mr. Charpentier for their support. Mr. Schalm also invited all to the Explore the Density of the Human Body at school on Friday.

Consent Items – None

Non-Public Session – On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter into Non-Public session at 5:25 p.m. to discuss a personnel.

At 5:30, it was moved by Ms. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Morrison to return to public session and adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. Mohan

School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of October 20, 2008
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Keith Charpentier, Ethel Gaides

Public Present: Tanya O'Brien, Laurie Melanson, Erin DeCotis

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of September 8, 2008 School Board Meeting - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of July 14, 2008 as amended (Mrs. Mack was absent). The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – Mr. Charpentier distributed his principal's report. He reported on soccer and field hockey teams, the field trips, student council elections, October 7th Open House, collection of non-perishable food items, and completion of the NECAPs.

Correspondence – A memo on "How to Obtain a Kindergarten Construction Grant" and the schedule of SAU #48 School Boards Meeting for 2008-2009 were distributed.

Discussion Items –

We need to submit a timeline to the New Hampshire Department of Education by December 5 in regards to obtaining a Kindergarten Construction Grant. Kindergarten Construction Grants cover 75% of the costs of kindergarten facilities, architect's fees directly related to kindergarten classroom construction; site preparation direction related to kindergarten classroom construction; kindergarten classroom construction directly-related storage spaces and access areas, such as specialized playground equipment; and initial classroom equipment for the kindergarten program.

Ms. Sullivan moved, seconded by Mr. Morrison to move ahead with the plans for a construction manager for the Kindergarten Construction Project. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Charpentier handed out keys to the building to the School Board. He also updated the School Board on some budget requests for the 2009-2010 school year.

Recognition and Awards – Mr. Charpentier recognized several faculty and staff members, coaches, and Jon Francis.

Privilege of the Floor –

Mrs. Melanson asked the school board to consider transportation costs in the 2009-2010 budget for Algebra I students to be able to take Algebra I at Plymouth Regional High School. Discussion ensued regarding various options for Algebra I students, in addition to the consideration for transportation costs.

Ms. Sullivan asked that the Robertson Transit Company be contacted regarding the Atwell Hill Road bus driver and his speeding, and his disregard for pedestrians and horses. The School Board asked Mrs. Gaides to follow up with a memo to the company.

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 5:50 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to enter into Nonpublic Session to discuss personnel. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:25 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to enter Public Session. The vote was unanimous. No action was taken in non-public session.

At 6:30 PM, it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Morrison

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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of November 17, 2008
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Keith Charpentier, Jon Francis, Ethel Gaides

Public Present: Tristan Blake, Sarah Cormier, Angela Borger, Karen Wheeler

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM

Agenda review and Disposition – As posted.

Minutes of October 20, 2008 School Board Meeting - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of October 20, 2008. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – Mr. Charpentier distributed his principal's report. He reported on Red Ribbon Week, the 8th grade field trip to the Plymouth Senior Center to serve lunch, basketball practice, and that 250 plus non-perishable food items were collected to donate to the Warren/Wentworth food bank on Friday, November 21. The enrollment for Kindergarten will be surveyed through the Wentworth newsletter, web site, and newspaper. Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the principal's report. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence – A memo on the Wentworth Tax Rate Analysis and the preliminary 2009-2010 school budget were distributed.

Discussion Items –

Mr. Jon Francis presented the Kindergarten construction plan. The total estimate of the project would be at \$373,000 which includes \$12,000 for the furnishings and equipment. It would be an additional estimated cost of \$25,000 for a metal roof. Mr. Francis discussed the location of the Kindergarten room (with drawings). We need to submit a timeline to the New Hampshire Department of Education by December 5 in regards to obtaining a Kindergarten Construction Grant. We will estimate 8 Kindergarten students each year for the next five years based on the average of the last three years of classes.

Kindergarten Construction Grants cover 75% of the costs of kindergarten facilities, architect's fees directly related to kindergarten classroom construction; site preparation direction related to kindergarten classroom construction; and initial classroom equipment for the kindergarten

program. The Commissioner of Education will notify the district relative to the approval of the grant within 45 days of receipt of the grant request.

Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Mrs. Mack to move ahead with the construction plans to be sent to the state for approval. The vote was unanimous.

The preliminary 2009-2010 budget was given to the School Board for review. It did not include the kindergarten facility. The preliminary budget does include .5 Kindergarten teacher. A full time nurse, increased transportation, and associated costs were discussed due to the needs of the special education population for 2009-2010. The School Board requested that there be two budgets prepared: Budget A to include the Kindergarten facility and associated costs; Budget B to include the costs to tuition and transport Kindergarten students to a public kindergarten program within SAU #48 for the 2009-2010 school year.

Recognition and Awards – Mr. Charpentier recognized several faculty and staff members, the PTO president, Jon Francis, students and staff for efforts in collecting the food items, and Mr. Randy Morrison for donating a cord of firewood to the 8th grade class as a raffle for their 8th grade class trip.

Privilege of the Floor – Parents discussed supervision of the playground with Mr. Charpentier and the School Board. The PTA is looking into providing the school with radio communication.

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 6:35 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to enter into Nonpublic Session to discuss personnel. The vote was unanimous.

At 7:15 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to enter Public Session. The vote was unanimous. Mrs. Mack moved and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the resignation of Mrs. Hammond with regret. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Morrison moved and seconded by Ms. Mack to deny the request for an employee's child to transfer to Wentworth Elementary School. The vote was unanimous.

At 7:20 PM, it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Mack to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Morrison

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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of December 8, 2008
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan,

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: 2 teachers: Mr. Brian Fairbanks and Mrs. Dorothy Beadle

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of November 17, 2008 School Board Meeting - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of November 17,2008 . The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – The basketball season is off to a great start with enough athletes for both a boys' and girls' team. The current record is 2 wins and 0 loss for both the boys' and girls' teams. This year's winter program will be underway in January. Each Thursday will have 44 students participating in the program. Ms. Sullivan moved to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mr. Morrison.

UPCOMING:

December 17th Holiday Concert @6:30 WES Gym

December 23rd ½ day

December 24th – January 2nd Holiday Break

Recognition and Awards-Mr. Charpentier gave kudos to Dr. Ethel Gaides for all her extra time and energy helping the administration put the final touches on the kindergarten building project and EDIES paperwork.

To Mr. Brian Fairbanks for all his energy he has put into this year's holiday concert.

To Mrs. Sarah Cormiea and her 5th and 6th grade class for a very nice interdisciplinary social studies unit. Her students reading skills and presentations to the younger grades were a pleasure to be a part of.

To the WES PTO for their financial support of this year's winter program. The school was not fortunate enough to receive a grant for the transportation cost and the PTO helped defer these expenses.

Correspondence - NONE

Discussion Items –review and discussion of budget

- A Lengthy discussion ensued regarding kindergarten. For the 2009 – 2010 school year, there is a proposal for a kindergarten program at Wentworth Elementary School, with costs to Wentworth totaling \$136,074.00 (if the state kindergarten construction grant is approved). The school board asked that Mr. Petrin check on bond rates for \$100,000 over five or more years.

An alternative proposal is for the projected ten kindergarten students to attend Plymouth Elementary School’s kindergarten program totaling \$94,000.00 (tuition and transportation).

- Discussion ensued regarding adopting a policy for lice. Mr. Charpentier developed a proposed policy and distributed it to the school board for review as a first reading.

Privilege of the Floor – NONE

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 7:22 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to enter into Nonpublic Session to discuss personnel. The vote was unanimous.

At 7:40 PM it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to enter into Public Session. The vote was unanimous. No action was taken in Nonpublic Session.

At 7:45 PM, it was moved by Mr. Morrison and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. Mohan,
School Board Secretary

**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of January 12, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Phoebe Sanborn and Rebecca Robertson

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of December 8, 2008 School Board Meeting - Ms. Sullivan moved, seconded by Mrs. Mack to accept the minutes of December 8, 2008 . The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – The basketball season record is as follows: Boys 7 wins and 3 losses. The girls are 3 wins and 6 losses. Winter program has started. We are going on Thursdays to Cannon Mountain. Cannon Mountain has provided the best price and offers a wonderful program to our students. We have a very large group of “first time” skiers and snowboarders which is always fun. Ms. Sullivan moved to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mrs. Mack.

UPCOMING :

January 5th back to school

January 8th First day of Winter Activities

January 12th School Board Meeting

January 19th No School Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20th No School Professional Development Day

January 23rd Progress Reports go home

January 26th Move Up Night at PRHS

Recognition and Awards - Mr. Charpentier gave kudos to Mrs. Maria Young for once again putting extra time into making sure the ski program gets off to a good start.

Mr. Kevin Patten for coming over with his tractor and removing snow from around the doors and sides of the building. This has helped a great deal with safety. Thank you.

Mr. Ed Crain, basketball coach for all his positive energy while working with our student athletes.

Correspondence – Communicable Diseases notice was distributed regarding lice/nit policy. Ms. Sullivan motioned and Mrs. Mack seconded to adopt the Communicable Diseases Policy.

Letter from Mr. Lyonel B. Tracy, Commissioner of Education. The letter announces that the Wentworth School District qualifies for the Construction Grant to build the Kindergarten addition.

Technical Advisory from New Hampshire DOE on Kindergarten was distributed.

Discussion Items –

The board made a thorough review and had lengthy discussion of overall Draft Budget for 2009 / 2010 school year

Discussion ensued regarding the Draft Budget amounts as to furnishings, new equipment, supplies, etc., for the proposed kindergarten plan.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the Draft Budget #3 (after adjustments) seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Privilege of the Floor – None

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll (A/P # 23 and 24, and Payroll #15) were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 7:58 p.m. it was moved by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. Mohan,
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board
Budget Hearing
Minutes of February 9, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier, Mr. John Francis

Public Present: Mr. Andrew Schalm , Don Bagley, Francis Muzzey, Mr. & Mrs. Fremont Swain, Erin Decotis, Doug Campbell, Angela Comeau, Elli Murray, Randy Comstalk, Mr. Robinson, Sue Judd, Carl Kenyan.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00

Discussion Items – Mr. John Francis presented a power point display of the proposed kindergarten architecture. The public had questions as to pick up and drop off of students as well as kindergarten students' entrance to and exits from the building. The public asked of the timing of adding a kindergarten with the current economy. It was explained that this is the only time that the State of New Hampshire will offer funding through a construction grant. The grant will not be available after this year. Discussion ensued with regard to the cost of providing kindergarten in house versus the cost of tuitioning students to Plymouth. Also discussed was the possibility of providing full time kindergarten. It was requested that the costs for a full time kindergarten teacher be available for the School District Meeting. The 2009-2010 budget was reviewed, page by page and the Warranty Articles were reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe,
School Board Secretary

**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of February 9, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier, John Francis

Public Present: Andrew Schalm, Don Bagley

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of January 12, 2009 School Board Meeting - Mrs. Mack moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of January 12, 2009 . Mr. Morrison abstained. The vote was unanimous.

Principals' report – The basketball season has come to a close. The final records are as follows: Boys 8 wins / 5 losses, Girls 4 wins / 8 losses.

Mr. Charpentier informed the board that all classroom presentations have been complete with respect to lock down procedures and the school has conducted their first drill, and it went extremely well.

Friday January 16th the school received a phone call for the “Edie’s” selection committee sharing with the administration that WES has been nominated and will present to the committee on Tuesday February 3rd at 12:30 in concord, N.H. We are all very excited to have received this invitation. The presentation went very well. The school will be notified by February 20th if the committee will come for a visit.

The NECAP test results are back from the State. I am very proud to share the following results with the Board. The students, faculty and staff worked very hard on preparing for these assessments and the results reflect these efforts.

Reading 2007/2008	84%	Reading 2008/2009	84%	2 nd Highest in SAU 48
Math 2007/2008	66%	Math 2008/2009	82%	2 nd Highest in SAU48

UPCOMING:

February 9th – 100th day of school

February 9th – School Board Meeting 5:00 p.m. @WES followed by Budget Meeting @ 6:00p.m.

February 11th – All Star Basketball Game @ PRHS 6:00 p.m.

February 23rd – 27th – No School winter break

March 7th – Wentworth School District Meeting@3:00 p.m.

March 10th Wentworth Town Meeting and Voting @WES 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

March 13th – Lakes Region Music Festival – Trimester Ends

March 17th – PTO meeting 6:30 @WES

March 20th – Report Cards go home

Recognition and Awards- Mr. Charpentier would like to give recognition to Mrs. Wendy Mersch, school nurse, for her tireless efforts in putting together the emergency buckets for each room in the building. With these being put into place the school is in a much safer situation.

To the faculty, staff and students for taking the classroom presentations as well as the lock down drill seriously. Because of their attention things went very smoothly.

To Mrs. Joyce Morrison, (PTO member) for providing a delicious meal for the staff during our full in- service day. It was a nice treat.

To Mrs. Rebecca Robertson and Mr. Marc Rondeau for putting together the NWEA testing in such a short time frame. The testing went very smoothly because of their extra efforts.

To the members of the Edie's Presentation Team (Ethel, Andy, Maria, Tanya and Phoebe) I'm so proud of how well you did in showcasing our school. We have a lot to be proud of, Thank you.

It was moved by Bernice Sullivan and seconded by Kathleen Mack to accept the Principal's Report. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence – none

Discussion Items – The board was asked and voted on ½ day of school due to the Town meeting and voting on March 10th. Lee Morrison moved and Bernice Sullivan seconded. The vote was unanimous.

There was discussion and review of the NH Technical advisory regarding Kindergarten for preparation of the Budget Hearing.

Recognition and Awards – Dr. Gaides recognized and thanked Mr. Charpentier and Mr. Francis for their hard work and time in the preparation for the kindergarten proposal.

Privilege of the Floor – None

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

At 5:45p.m. it was moved by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe,
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of March 9, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Karla Chierichetti, Sarah Cormiea

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – Discussion Item #2, 2009 – 2010 calendar tabled until next month. Discussion Item # 3, (other) is to discuss Kindergarten Admission Policy.

The 2009 / 2010 calendar was later approved through a phone poll

Minutes of February 9, 2009 School Board Meeting - Lee Morrison moved to accept the Minutes of February 9, 2009, Bernice Sullivan seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – Mr. Charpentier shared with the board the Edie's Committee informed WES that they will not be coming to make an onsite visit. They were however very impressed with all the improvements but the school "did not meet all the criteria in the rubric". Regardless of this news WES should be very proud of all its accomplishments. This process has provided the tools to critique the past, celebrate the present, and plan for the future. His heartfelt thanks go out to EVERYONE involved in this process.

The winter program has come to a close. Once again this program provided a great opportunity for our students and staff. Because of this program WES has a new group of students who have learned how to ski and snowboard.

UPCOMING :

March 7th -Wentworth School District Meeting 3:00 p.m. @ WES
March 9th –Wentworth School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. @WES
March 10th –Voting @WES 11:00 – 7:00 ½ day of school 11:45 a.m. dismissal
March 10th – Wentworth Town Meeting @7:00 p.m. @WES
March 13th – Lakes Region Jr. High Music Festival
March 13th - 2nd Trimester ends
March 20th – Report Cards go home
March 25th - SAU 48 Cultural Arts Night @PRHS 6:00 p.m.
March 26th – Half day of school – Student Led Conferences in PM
March 27th – No School – Student Led Conferences

Recognition and Awards- Mr. Charpentier gives Kudos' to all the faculty, staff and parents who help with all aspects of the winter program. It was a very successful 6 weeks.

To Mr. Randy Morrison for donating another cord of firewood to the 8th grade class as a raffle. The money raised will go towards the class trip to NYC.

To Mr. Jon Francis and the students of PRHS for all their support and presentation the night of the annual school district meeting.

Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan to accept the principal's report. The note was unanimous.

Correspondence – A letter from Mr. Bagley was shared with the Board.

Discussion Items – Mr. Morrison announced that the Annual School District Meeting went very well. The proposed WES kindergarten was passed with a 72 to 16 vote.

Discussion of the 2009 – 2010 calendar was postponed until next month.

The Board reviewed Wentworth School District Kindergarten Admission Policy. After making a change to offering kindergarten program by adding “to Wentworth residents”.

Mrs. Sullivan moved to accept the policy, seconded by Mr. Morrison. The vote was unanimous.

Recognition and Awards – The Wentworth School Board would like thank all the residents who attended the Annual School District Meeting to support the WES kindergarten. The Board would also like to recognize and give thanks to Mr. Francis for his hard work with the kindergarten process.

Privilege of the Floor – None

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non-Public session at 6:25pm.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to re-enter Public session at 6:53pm.

Mrs. Sullivan moved to accept the nominations by the Superintendent, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

On a motion by Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Mack, the Board unanimously voted for to hire a half time kindergarten teacher and full time first and seconded grade teacher.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Wentworth School Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe,
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of April 13, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Tonya O'Brien, Dorothy Beadle, Dr. Gerald Buteau

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Mrs. Mack nominated Lee Morrison to serve as School Board Chair. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous. Congratulations Mr. Morrison!

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Kindergarten Presentation - Dr. Buteau presented to the board his background and willingness to help with kindergarten registration.

Minutes of January 12, 2009 School Board Meeting - Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan to accept the minutes of March 9, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – Mr. Charpentier was sad to report this year WES will not have any spring sports. The number of student athletes will not support a program. Russell Elementary School has extended an invitation to our students to participate on their teams. However, our students have declined this invitation.

The kindergarten project is moving ahead slowly. There have been several meetings with vendors, contractors, and the architect. No date has been set for the start of the construction.

Many applications have arrived for the current teaching positions we have openings for. There are several screening committees looking over resumes. We will be starting the interviewing process soon. The following positions are being screened:

Guidance Counselor

Kindergarten

1st & 2nd Grade

7th & 8th Grade Math & Science

Congratulations go out to Katelyn Heath this year's nomination for Project Playwright. Her play, **Just Another Happy Ending** will be performed at Northern Stage in White River Junction, Vermont. We are very proud of her. Chris Comeau (last year's winner) and Aaron Evans plays received honorable mentions.

Congratulations also goes out to Aaron Evans who was selected as an honorable mention for his story, **How the Fox Got It's Colors** from the Reading Rainbow Young Writers & Illustrators contest.

SAVE THE DATES:

April 17th all school field trip to Holderness Central School to watch a play

April 20-24 Spring Break

May 1st Progress Reports go home

Recognition and Awards: Mr. Charpentier gives Kudos to all the parents, students and teachers for their extra effort during student – led Conferences. It was a huge success. This year the school added digital portfolios as part of the conference.

Also to **all** members of WES for making AYP in all grade levels and all cohort groups for the fourth year in a row. Congratulations to **everyone** job well done.

Ms. Sullivan moved to accept the Principal's Report, seconded by Mr. Morrison. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence – AYP Documents

Discussion Items – Mr. Charpentier shared with the board the plans for the 8th grade class trip and handed out the itinerary for the trip to New York City, scheduled for June 7, 8, and 9. Mr. Morrison moved, seconded by Mrs. Mack, to accept the 8th Grade class trip Itinerary. The vote was unanimous.

Personnel was reserved for non-public.

The school board requests that bids for the kindergarten construction be advertised in the newspaper.

Mr. Charpentier shared with the school board the costs of abating the remaining parts of the building which still have asbestos.

Concerns were discussed with regard to the fire inspection report and changes with current compliance regulations

Teacher and Staff Contracts were signed.

Recognition and Awards – none

Privilege of the Floor – None

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non-Public session at 6:25pm.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Wentworth School Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe,
School Board Secretary

**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of July 13, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides,

Public Present: Representative Carol Friedrich

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda review and Disposition – nothing added or deleted

Minutes of May 11, 2009 School Board Meeting - Lee Morrison moved, seconded by Kathleen Mack to accept the minutes of May 11, 2009 . The vote was unanimous.

Principal's report – None

Correspondence – None

Discussion Items – Dr. Gaides shared with the School Board that the Wentworth Elementary School was the only school in New Hampshire selected by the Learning School Alliance to attend the Professional Development Conference in Boston. Ethel will be attending in place of Mr. Charpentier, along with 2 WES teachers.

There was discussion as to tuition on Foster Children. Dr. Gaides will check with Mr. Halloran as to the RSA for tuition on Foster Children.

Ethel reported that the asbestos is now completely out of the building, and noted that the Kindergarten project is going very well and ahead of schedule. Dr. Gaides recognized Karen Flynn who volunteered to catalog time to catalog books for the library.

Recognition and Awards – Dr. Gaides would like to recognize Mr. Francis and his crew for the great job they are doing with the Kindergarten Project

Privilege of the Floor – Representative Carol Friedrich announced that she had attended the signing of the Broadband Bill. She noted that she is working with Representative Roderick M. (Rick) Ladd, Jr. on the education committee. As they feel aid to smaller schools is not adequate and they would like to work on the issue at the State level.

Consent Items – Claims and Payroll were reviewed and signed by the school board.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non-Public session at 7:40 pm. On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the board voted to end non-public at 7:45 p.m.

Lee Morrison moved to accept the nomination of Linda Cummings, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan with abstention by Mrs. Mack.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Wentworth School Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe,
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