Wentworth School Board
Minutes of September 14, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan
Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Mr. Keith Charpentier
Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn, Erin Decotis
Public Present: Melody Gaudette

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 following a tour of the building showing the new renovations and new kindergarten.

Agenda Review and Disposition: added a non-public session

Minutes of July 13, 2009 and June 22, 2009 School Board Meetings: Lee Morrison moved, seconded by Bernice Sullivan to accept the minutes of July 13, 2009 and June 22, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: next page

Privilege of the Floor #1: none

Correspondence - fiscal year end financial report

Discussion Items- As part of the Learning School Alliance, Dr. Gaides and Mr. Charpentier along with Mr. Tristan Blake, Ms. Erin Decotis, Mr. Nicholas Gagnon will be attending the Learning School Alliance Conference in Missouri in December this year.

The kindergarten project went on time and under budget. Everyone is pleased with the new addition to the school.

Negotiation for Contracts is upon us and dates are being set for meetings. Teacher Representative is Erin Decotis.

Mr. Charpentier shared with the board that WES is participating in the fresh fruits and vegetables program through the state which provides monies specifically for fresh fruits and vegetables to be provided to the students.

The School Board had the first reading the Specific Learning Disability Policy. They recommended changes and will review at the next meeting.

Privilege of the Floor #2 – Phoebe Sanborn thanked the WES School Board, Dr. Gaides and Mr. Charpentier for hiring a 1st grade teacher. It has been a very positive change.

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:05.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of October 19, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School

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

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

Public Present: none

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: added for other was Dental Cleaning Program update and asbestos update.

Minutes of September 14, 2009 School Board Meetings: Bernice Sullivan moved, seconded by Lee Morrison to accept the minutes of September 14, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The fall sports seasons has come to a close. The Soccer team's final record stands at 8 losses, 1 tie and 1 win and the Field Hockey teams record closed at 7 losses, 2 ties and 0 wins. These records do not reflect what wonderful sportsmanship and teamwork displayed by our student athletes and their coaches.

NWEA testing is complete for grades 3 – 8. Along with NECAP testing required by the State and Federal Government in grades 3 – 8. These test results will help the school and teachers plan better curriculum & support AYP, which is also required for NCLB.

Wentworth Elementary continues its positive relationship with the NSDC, (National Staff Development Council) and the LSA, (Learning School Alliance). We have monthly webinar's at which time we discuss many topics related to professional development. The team is preparing for the upcoming annual conference in St. Louis, December 5th– 9th.

Due to a huge about of effort WES is now a school wide Title I school. This means money that becomes available can be used for all our students. This is good news.

The Administration of WES wrote an article for the New Hampshire Journal of Education. The title: Wentworth Elementary School: A National Learning School Alliance (LSA) Community will hopeful be published in the Spring Journal.

The facility and staff of WES is in the process of reviewing its homework policy. A survey has been sent home asking parents for their input on several questions. Once the data is collected the team will be working on a possible revision to bring to the board at a later date.

Wentworth Elementary has been selected to continue its relationship with Northern Stage in WRJ VT. This new program entitled: Jr. Producers is a spinoff of Project Playwright. Two school from NH & VT where chosen to participate in the program. This year grades 4, 5, & 6 will have an opportunity to work with the staff at Briggs Opera House.

Open House was wonderful. We had several members of the community who **do not** currently have children in the school come to see the new addition and upgrades. This is a very proud time in the history of the Wentworth Elementary School.

Our annual over night outdoor education trip for grades 7 & 8 went very well. This year we returned to Crawford Notch Highland Lodge. The Appalachian Mountain Club does a very nice job with their programs for our students. This year's program consisted of GPS orienteering, Crawford Notch History, fire

making / campfires & a hike safe presentation. We also hiked two nearby Mt.'s. The weather did not "dampen" the spirits of anyone.

As in past years WES is conducting its annual Can Food Drive to support the Wentworth / Warren Food Bank. (This year the student counsel took over this project) The goal is to collect 250 non - perishable food items prior to the Thanksgiving break. If the school reaches its goal, (which it has always done in the past) the administration will provide the school with a pizza party. Please support this effort. Thus far the school has collected 183 items towards its goal.

Our Librarian presented to the student and staff a challenge for each member of the school to read 100 books by the end of the school year. There are incentives built into this challenge throughout the year to support this program.

Save the dates:

Oct.1st NECAP Testing begins.Gr.3-8

Oct.5-9 Scholastic book fair @ WES

Oct.6th WES Open House 6:00 - 7:00pm @ WES

Oct 7 & 8 Grades 7 and 8 AMC Trip

Oct 9th ½ day 11:45am dismissal

Oct 12th NO School Columbus Day

Oct 15th grades K – 4 Billings Farm field trip

Oct. 19th School board meeting 6:00pm @ WES

Kudos'

To all the new Teachers in our learning Community. Ms. Erin Kindl Grade 1, Ms. Molly Lash Kindergarten, Ms. Karen Flynn Librarian & Mr. Nick Gagnon 7 & 8 Grade Math & Science. What great additions to our school.

To Mr. Tristan Blake & Mr. Nick Gagnon for organizing this year AMC trip. A job well done.

To Ms. Karen Flynn for all her energy and extra time putting together the reading challenge.

To coach Dan Medaglia for all his hard work this season. His positive attitude while working with our student athletes was a joy to watch. Great season.

To ALL the students, facility and staff for their hard work and support during all the testing this fall. There was a lot of time spent on these test and your efforts are well respected. Thank –you

To Mrs. Sarah Cormiea for her digital portfolio presentation during our in service day. It was a "refresher" for some staff and a nice introduction for our new staff.

To Dr. Ethel Gaides for all her extra efforts in help WES become a Title I School.

Dr. Ethel Gaides would like to add to the Kudos' giving recognition to Mr. Charpentier for collaborating with Holly Barrett-Morse, Principal at Russell Elementary School to have Wentworth Elementary Students attend presentations as RES. Students will be viewing TIGERS presentation and meeting New Hampshire's Author, Mary Lyn Ray.

Privilege of the Floor # 1: none

Correspondence - Mr. Charpentier handed out a copy of the Homework Policy Survey the school developed. The surveys went home with student over Columbus Day Weekend and a large number have already been returned.

Discussion Items- Dr. Gaides and Mr. Charpentier share with the School Board that a Banner from the Learning School Alliance will be sent to WES along with a prepared press release.

The School Board had a second reading of the SLD Policy. Bernice Sullivan made a motion to adopt the policy, seconded by Lee Morrison. The vote was unanimous.

The School Dental Health Program through Speare Medical is asking the school boards throughout SAU 48 to donate funds toward the program in the amount of $1.00 per student. With the grant and fundraising the program still falls short of covering the costs. The school Board voted unanimously to approve.

Mr. Charpentier shared with the school board the notification the Wentworth Elementary School is now asbestos free. The WES School Board requested to put in the newspaper as a Public Notice.

Wentworth Elementary School is preparing a policy for its new Library to make part of next year's handbook. The board had its first reading and made some recommendations.

Privilege of the Floor #2 – none

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 6:50.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:35 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board
Minutes of November 9, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School

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

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

Public Present: Tanya O'Brien

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted.

Minutes of October 19, 2009 School Board Meeting: Bernice Sullivan moved, seconded by Kathleen Mack to accept the minutes of October 19, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: next page

Principals School Board Report
November 9, 2009

The students, staff and community reached their goal in collecting 250+ non-perishable food items for the Warren / Wentworth food bank. As a result the students have earned their pizza party. Thank - you to everyone for all their support.

On November 2nd a member of the NHHEAF (New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation) gave a presentation to grades 5 – 8 about college and why it's important to begin thinking about higher education now. This was an interactive presentation.

Our banner for the Learning School Alliance has arrived. The next step is to make arrangements to hopefully have the Commissioner of Education as well as the Governor come to visit our school and present the banner.

Save the dates:

Nov. 1st Daylight Savings
Nov.9th School Board meeting @6:00pm
Nov.10th Thanksgiving lunch 11:30 @ WES
Nov. 11th No School Veterans day
Nov.20th Thanksgiving bake sales for yearbook 4:00 -7:00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall
Nov.25th First Trimester ends
Nov. 25th ½ day of school
Nov.26th & 27th Thanksgiving Break

Kudos'

To Mrs. Heather Clark who has done a terrific job organizing lesson plans as well as delivering those lessons plans while Mr. Blake recovers from his accident. Thank You so much. Also to Mr. Nick Gagnon for taking on some extra duties while Mr. Blake is recovering. Last but not least to the 7th & 8th grade classes for being the dedicated students they are.

To the student counsel and their advisors (Mrs. Clark & Mrs. Cormier) as well as others for a great Haunted Hallway and Halloween party. It was a fun time for all in attendance.

In advance to Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Ray, for the extra time preparing the Thanksgiving meal. To Mrs.Clark for helping to sever the meals, to grades 1-6 for the decorations and invitations and last but not least to the 7th & 8th grades for the serving and clean up. Great job everyone.

To Mrs. Toomey, (class advisor) and the 8th grade class for a nice carnival. This was a fundraiser for the end of the year class trip. It was a very good turnout.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- The School Board reviewed the first rough draft of proposed budget and discussed the possibility of raising the current rate for substitutes. And debated the pros and cons of full time kindergarten vs. afternoon preschool. The School Board would like to have Special Education Director, Fran Gonsalves at the December meeting to discuss the preschool budget. The Board also requested that the snow plowing and sanding of the grounds go out to bid.

Learning School Alliance update from Mr. Charpentier showed the Board the banner that has been received. It is still undecided where to hang it. Lee will call Representative Ray Burton invite him for a Learning School Alliance Banner Ceremony.

Mr. Charpentier shared with the board the results of the surveys that went home with all students. He state the half of the surveys that went out were returned with positive results.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:15.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:30 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of December 14, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Mr. Keith Charpentier, Mrs. Fran Gonsalves and Mrs. Carol Hahn

Teacher Representatives: Erin Kindl and Phoebe Sanborn

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: Fran Gonsalves and Carol Hahn were moved to top of agenda to discuss preschool.

Minutes of November 9, 2009 School Board Meeting: Kathleen Mack moved, seconded by Lee Morrison to accept the minutes of November 9, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: next page

Lee Morrison motioned to accept the Principal's Report, seconded by Kathleen Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- Mrs. Gonsalves and Mrs. Hahn shared with the board different preschool programs currently in place at other elementary schools. This discussion also included proposed budget amounts and keeping a balance of students in having a preschool. The board shared its concern with using the kindergarten room for preschool has any consequence with the State.

The School Board reviewed the second draft of proposed budget. The board will continue the use of two school buses for transporting students to and from school. Some increases in the budget are due to kindergarten supplies. The school board has cut travel, supplies, dues and fees from the School Board Services portion of the budget. The board approved budgeting for a full time kindergarten.

Learning School Alliance update from Mr. Charpentier is that he would like to do the Learning School Alliance Banner presentation next month with hopes the Commissioner of Education, Virginia Barry will be in attendance for the presentation.

Karen Flynn provided a demonstration of Destiny Quest. This program is used in the libraries at a majority of the schools. She showed how easy it is to access and to use.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:38.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of January 11, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

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

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

Teachers Present: Ashley Shuffleton and Sarah Cormiea

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 6:05.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 6:25 and enter into public session.

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Mack to accept the negotiated contracts for 2010/2011.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Nothing added or deleted

Minutes of December 14, 2009 School Board Meeting: Non – Public motion was seconded by Mrs. Mack, not Ms. Sullivan. With that change Mr. Morrison made a motion to accept the minutes and Mrs. Mack seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The basketball teams' records to date stands at the boys have 2 wins and 6 loss and the girls have 2 win & 6 losses. These young men & women are playing their hearts out. We should all be very proud of our student athletes.

The Wentworth Elementary School recently purchased and installed an AED, (automated external defibrillator) in the school. This has been a long time in coming. Our school nurse worked with the State of NH to start the process. The money for the purchase came from a grant. The school nurse is in the process of scheduling certification class.

Recently the Principal was informed that an article he submitted to the New Hampshire Journal of Education was accepted for publication in the April addition. The title: Wentworth Elementary School A National Learning School Alliance (LSA) Community profiles the significant educational improvements and practices of the learning environment here at WES.

On Monday January 11th members of the SAU Office, Parents, Community members, Raymond Burton, (governors council member), Dr. Virginia Barry, (Commissioner of Education) & Helen Bickford, (NH Staff Development Counsel President) as well as faculty of PSU presented WES with a National recognition award. This is a very proud day for this very deserving school.

Save the dates:

Jan.7th First day of winter program

Jan. 11th School board meeting, 6:00pm @ WES

Jan. 11th Visit from the Commissioner of Education

Jan. 15th No School Teacher workshops

Jan. 18th No School Martin Luther King Day

Jan 22nd Progress Reports go home

Jan. 25th 8th grade move –up night @ 6:00pm PRHS

Kudos'

To Mrs. Wendy Mersch for all her extra time and energy putting together and following up with the state on the paper work needed to receive the AED. Thank you.

To all the students, facility & staff for all your hard work. It has paid off with the recent award. I'm so proud of all of you.

Mr. Morrison made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mrs. Mack . The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- a copy of the Warrant Articles were distributed for the Annual District meeting on March 6, 2010. Draft Budget #3 was also distributed. The school board is satisfied with both.

The celebration of raising the banner for the Learning School Alliance was a great success and the school would like to thank Mr. Halloran for his support.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 6:50.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 7:15 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board
Minutes of March 8, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: none

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted.

Minutes of February 8, 2010 School Board Meeting: Kathleen Mack moved, seconded by Lee Morrison to accept the minutes of February 8, 2010. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The Wentworth faculty & staff are looking at the schools Mission and Vision Statement to see if we want to make any changes in it. This could be a long process to complete. With the help of the LSA we are reflecting on what is best educational practice to insure student success.

Mrs. Heather Clark had her baby on February 19th. Dakota Roy. Mother & baby are both doing fine. (8lb.11oz)

On Friday March 5th 10 students grades 3-6 along with Mrs. O'Brien, Ms. Flynn, Mr. Rondeau and the Principal spent the evening in the Lincoln Woods snowshoeing with members of the White Mountain National Forest Rangers This program called Woods in the Winter was designed to give students the opportunity to explore the forest in it's winter environment. Everyone had a great time.

Save the dates:

March 5th "woods in the winter" program grades 3-6 5:30pm
March 6th Wentworth school district meeting 3:00pm @ WES
March 9th Half day of school
March 9th Town Elections / Town meeting 7:00pm
March 12th 2nd trimester ends
March 13th Crock Pot cook off @ WES 11:30 – 2:00pm
March 17th Cultural Arts night @ PRHS 6:00pm
March 19th Report cards go home
March 25th ½ day student-led conferences
March 26th No school student –led conference day

Kudos'

To the Wentworth School Board and Dr. Ethel Gaides for all their hard work in putting together a sound school budget.

To the faculty & staff for organizing a nice winter carnival day. Everyone had a good time.

To all the Para – Professionals and Substitute teachers. (We had a number of staff out.) Your hard work kept the classrooms and instruction moving in a positive direction.

To Mrs. O'Brien, Ms. Flynn & Mr. Rondeau thanks for giving up part of your Friday night to spend time with our students. It was a great time and the students loved having you as part of their experience. (me too)

Consent Items: Claims and payroll signed by the board.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- After review and discussion the School Board approved the 2010/2011 school calendar. Motion by Lee Morrison to Approve , seconded by Kathleen Mack. The vote was unanimous.

The School Board had 1st ready of Tuition Policy. Discussion ensued and the board requested some changes. There will be a 2nd reading at next month's meeting.

There was discussion about projects. Mr. Charpentier will be working closely with Mr. Francis on upgrades.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mrs. Mack seconded by Mr. Morrison, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:00.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Mack the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00p.m. and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Unofficial

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of March 8, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: none

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted.

Minutes of February 8, 2010 School Board Meeting: Kathleen Mack moved, seconded by Lee Morrison to accept the minutes of February 8, 2010. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The Wentworth faculty & staff are looking at the school's Mission and Vision Statement to see if they want to make any changes in it. This could be a long process to complete. With the help of the LSA they are reflecting on what is best educational practice to ensure student success.

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Consent Items: Claims and payroll signed by the board.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- After review and discussion the School Board approved the 2010/2011 school calendar. Motion by Lee Morrison to Approve, seconded by Kathleen Mack. The vote was unanimous.

The School Board had 1st reading of Tuition Policy. Discussion ensued and the board requested some changes. There will be a 2nd reading at next month's meeting.

There was discussion about projects. Mr. Charpentier will be working closely with Mr. Francis on upgrades to the building.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mrs. Mack seconded by Mr. Morrison, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:00 for personnel.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Mack the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00p.m. and adjourn.

The slate of nominations as presented was approved by the Superintendent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Unofficial

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of April 12, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan,

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

Public Present: Ellie Murray, Don Bagley

Teacher Representation: Phoebe Sanborn and Erin Decotis

Meeting was called to order at 6:28

Agenda Review and Disposition: Mission Statement draft added to discussion items and student issue added to nonpublic.

Minutes of March 12, 2010 School Board Meeting: Dr. Gaides requested an addition of information to the minutes. After changes to the minutes Lee Morrison moved, seconded by Bernice Sullivan to accept the minutes of March 12, 2010. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: see attached

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- Don Bagley, Chair of the Warren School Board, distributed a letter to the WES School Board extending an invitation to tuition what was originally thought to be a very small first grade to Warren School District. After a discussion that the expected numbers for first grade have grown, the offer was respectfully declined.

Mr. Charpentier updated the Board on the 8th grade class trip to Lake George. Planning is going very well and the students are looking forward to the trip. The School Board asked the principal to look the availability of life guards at the hotel pool. There must be a certified life guard if the students use the pool. Also needed is a transportation insurance rider by Plymouth Travel. The school Board will revisit the 8th grade class trip in May.

Dr. Gaides distributed the AYP Summary report on WES and congratulated Wentworth Elementary School on making Adequate Yearly Progress again.

Mr. Charpentier distributed the first draft of the WES Mission Statement. Lee Morrison made a motion to adopt the Wentworth Elementary Mission Statement, 2nd by Bernice Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

The Wentworth Elementary School Mission Statement reads as follows:

Wentworth Elementary School envisions inquisitive, lifelong learners, dedicated to building an adaptive skill set to become contributing citizens in a technologically-advanced, global community. Our goal is to foster honorable, confident, and independent thinkers engaged in experiential learning. We provide a safe, nurturing, student-centered environment with high expectations.

Dr. Gaides would like to recognize Mr. Charpentier and staff for their work and dedication in developing the Mission Statement.

The second reading of the Tuition Policy was tabled until next month.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Lee Morrison, seconded by Bernice Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:08.

The slate of the Support Staff nominations, as presented, was approved by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00 p.m. and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board
Minutes of May 10, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present:	Lee Morrison, Kathleen Mack, Bernice Sullivan
Administration Present:	Dr. Ethel Gaides, Mr. Keith Charpentier
Public Present:	Ellie Murray
Teachers Present:	Erin Decotis, Phoebe Sanborn, Sarah Cormiea, and Tanya O'Brien

Mr. Morrison called the meeting to order at 6:15 at which time Kathleen Mack was sworn in as school board member by Eleanor Murray.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Nothing added or deleted

Minutes of April 12, 2010 School Board Meeting: Mr. Morrison made a motion to accept the minutes and Mrs. Mack seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The information below comes directly from Dr. Virginia Berry, Commissioner of Education:

"Of the 473 school AYP reports released today, 133 schools made AYP in all areas measured and 323 did not make AYP in one or more areas. Sixteen of the 473 schools are receiving a small-school designation and will receive separate AYP reports produced by the Department."

Wentworth Elementary School students, staff, and community should be very proud of this accomplishment. This was not an easy task to meet. The index targets for the 2009 – 2010 school year were 91% in Reading and 88 % in Math.

This is the 4th year in a row WES has met AYP index targets.

WES baseball team held their season opener on Wednesday May 5th against Holderness. It was a great game to watch. The team lost but showed wonderful sportsmanship. Their next game is home Monday May 10th @ 3:30p.m..

Grades 4 – 8 where involved in a service-learning project doing roadside clean up. The students & staff cleaned 6 roads in the town. Student counsel organized this event. The 8th grade students also spent a separate day doing the same.

Save the dates:

May 3rd – 12th NWEA & Gates/MacGinitie Testing

May 10th --School Board meeting 6:00 pm

May 10th – 27th NECAP Science Testing

May 14th--Kindergarten registration 12:30 – 3:00

June 3rd- -1st Academic Fair Night 6:00 – 7:30 pm

May 31st-- No school Memorial Day

Kudos'

To the members of the student counsel and their advisers for organizing the roadside clean up day. It was a huge success.

To Mr. Gagnon and the members of the baseball team: Job well done.

To all the volunteers who helped prepare the baseball field this year: Mr. Chris Ball and Top Notch Tree Service, Mr. Aaron Comeau & Andrews Construction Co. as well as

several members of the community and ball players. The field looked great for opening day.

Mr. Morrison made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mrs. Mack . The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence - N.H. Staff Development Council annual report was distributed.

Discussion Items- Mr. Charpentier reported that transportation is in order for the 8th grade trip to Lake George. And also noted that there is no lifeguard at the hotel so the students will not be swimming.
Ms. Mack made a motion to accept the itinerary for the trip, seconded by Mr. Morrison. The vote was unanimous.

The board had its 2nd reading of the Wentworth Elementary School Tuition Policy. After review and request of some changes the board will have a 3rd reading next month.

Privilege of the Floor – Erin Decotis asked the school board for approval for both of her children to enroll at Wentworth Elementary School. The school board granted approval.

Erin also discussed the potential size for next year's 3rd and 4th grade classroom and the concerns involved with a large class. The board thanked her and will take under advisement.

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 6:45.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:00 and re-enter public session.

The board approved a request for children of para-professional to attend Wentworth Elementary School.
The board approved the requests from teachers for children to attend Wentworth Elementary School.
The board accepts the resignation of Brian Fairbanks and Molly Lash.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board voted to adjourn at 9:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board
Minutes of June 14, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Kathleen Mack, Bernice Sullivan

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. at which time Ms. Sullivan made a motion to enter into non-public session, seconded by Mrs. Mack, the vote was unanimous.

On a motion by Ms. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Mack, the board unanimously voted to enter into public session at 7:05p.m..

The board accepts the resignation of Helen Ray with sincere regret.

Public Present: various members of the community

Teachers Present: **None**

Agenda Review and Disposition: Nothing added or deleted

Minutes of May 10, 2010 School Board Meeting: Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: next page

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mrs. Mack . The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence - NONE

Discussion Items- Dr. Gaides shared with the board the enrollment numbers for the 2010/2011 school year.

With regard to end of year projects, discussion ensued on how best to encumber year end funds. With a few options being discussed the issue is tabled until next meeting.

The 3rd reading of the tuition policy is tabled until next meeting.

Next school board meeting will be June 23, 2010 for unfinished business. The next scheduled meeting will be August 9, 2010 5:00P.M.

Privilege of the Floor – Carla Kearney inquired on how to increase parent involvement. Suggestions were to address your child's teacher directly if there is any possible need in the classroom. Also discussed was the possibility of forming a community group to support volunteering at the school or with school projects.

Carla also requested information of Title I : How many students? Who watches over Title I? Dr. Gaides will provide her with the information requested.

Angela Comeau shared her appreciation of the Read 180/Reading Recovery programs. Angela also inquired as to the current open teaching positions being filled. The board did not have an answer at this time.

On a Motion by Mrs. Mack, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 8:20 p.m..

On a motion by Mrs. Mac, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board unanimously voted to end Non-Public at 8:47 and re enter into public session.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Mack to approve the nomination of Ashley Oakes for kindergarten teacher. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Mack to approve the nomination of Courtney Hiltz for music teacher. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Mack to approve the nomination of Ashley Ames as 1:1 aide. The vote was unanimous.

On a motion by Mrs. Mac, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board unanimously voted to end Non-Public at 8:58 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board
Minutes of June 23, 2010
Wentworth Elementary School

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

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

Public Present: various members of the public

Teachers Present: None

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 by Mr. Morrison

Discussion Items-

I Tuition Policy – After review and discussion Ms. Sullivan made a motion to change enrollment not to exceed 20 students seconded by Mrs. Mack. Mr. Morrison abstained.

II End of Year Projects- Ms. Sullivan made a motion to encumber $60,000 for classroom upgrades, possible classroom divider and coverage for salary seconded by Mrs. Mack. All voted in favor.

III Other Business-discussion ensued regarding the looping in the 1st and 2nd grade classrooms. Parents addressed the principal and the board with their concern with the looping. The board advised the public that the looping is for the benefit of the students.

On a Motion by Mrs. Mack, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:00 p.m..

On a motion by Mrs. Mac, seconded by Ms. Sullivan the Board unanimously voted to end Non-Public at 7:15 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

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