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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of September 12, 2011  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, Kathleen Mack

**Administration Present:** Ms. Kathleen Boyle, Mr. Keith Charpentier

**Public Present:** Marni Kozak and Deb Gelsi

**Teachers Present:** Erin Newton, Nicholas Gagnon

Mr. Davis made a motion to call the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. , Seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** Discussion item 1. Dog program moved to number 6. Mrs. Muzzey added number 5. Teacher hiring procedures. Claims and payroll moved to after privilege of the floor.

At this time discussion ensued regarding the increase in the cost of school breakfast and lunch. Ms.Gelsi is very angry at the current prices and wants an explanation of why the cost has gone up. Mr. Muzzey is requesting a breakdown of the costs of lunch.

Ms.Gelsi and Mrs. Kozak are angry regarding the July and August school board meetings. They felt notification of meetings was not sufficient.

**Minutes of June 9, 2011, June 13, 2011, July 18,2011 and August 18, 2011 School Board Meetings:** Mr. Muzzey mad a motion to accept the Minutes of June 9, 2011, Seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor. Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of June 13, 2011, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor. Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the Minutes of July 18,2011, seconded by Mr. Davis. Mr. Muzzey Abstained. The minutes of August 8, 2011 insert the word “stated” after Mr. Davis and before he would. Mr. Muzzey made a motion to accept the minutes of August 8, 2011 as amended, seconded by Mr. Davis. Mrs. Mack abstained.

**Principal’s Report: ATTACHED**

Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the principal’s report of September 12, 2011, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

**Old Business** – Mr. Davis would request looking into getting an emergency generator at the school.

**Correspondence** - none

**Discussion Items-**

1. Mr. Charpentier gave an overview of a proposed dog program to be brought to school. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the program, seconded by Mr. Davis. Mr. Muzzey abstained. The board request that letters be sent home about the program.
2. Food Service –The State is mandating all schools raise prices of school breakfast and lunch to match the cost of free and reduced lunches. The public is encouraged to apply for free and reduced lunch. Mr. Davis, the parent and students all agree that the food is good. It is mentioned that there is no waste due to the made to order system in place. Adult lunches are at a cost higher than student lunches.

3. Purchasing Policy – The board reviewed a draft purchasing policy. Mr. Muzzey does not like the draft. Mr. Muzzey feels the school board should make purchasing decisions. Discussion ensued with regard to getting school board approval on purchases over a certain amount. The school board will draw up their own proposed purchasing policies to be reviewed and discussed next month.
4. Kitchen Use Policy- revisit next month.
5. Teacher Hiring Procedures- Mr. Muzzey disapproves of the current procedures for hiring teachers.

**Privilege of the Floor** – Mrs. Kozak is not happy with the current teacher for her child and is upset there was a change in the teacher for that class over the summer. Mrs. Gelsi is unhappy with this choice as well and both would like a change in teacher assignments.

**Claims and Payroll** – signed by the board

Mr. Davis made a motion to into non public at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to end non public and adjourn at 7:30, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of October 17, 2011  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey

**Administration Present:** Dr. Ethel Gaides, Mr. Keith Charpentier, and  
Mr. Richard Petrin

**Public Present:** Melisa Farrell, Ellie Murray, Jessica Toomey, Deana  
Toomey, Marni Kozak, Deborah Gelsi, Carol Friedrich

**Teachers Present:** Erin Kindl and Sarah Cormiea

Mr. Davis called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** Mr. Davis added a non public session as the first item on the agenda. The board entered non public at 5:18 p.m. and ended non public at 5:35 p.m.

Mr. Muzzey made note that the school board meeting is being taped.

Mr. Muzzey made a motion to accept the resignation of Molly Lash with regret, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Minutes of September 12, 2011 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Muzzey mad a motion to accept the Minutes of September 12, 2011, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Principal's Report:**

The soccer season has come to a close. It was a very exciting season to be a spectator. The final Falcons record stands at 0 wins, 6 losses and 1 tie. The final standings are not a true reflection on how hard our student athletes performed.

On September 16<sup>th</sup> grades 4, 5 & 6 where invited to once again participate in the 36<sup>th</sup> annual NH Scottish Highland Games. This event exposed our students to the culture of Scotland. Dancing, Music, Pipes & Drums, Sheep dog demonstration, as well as Athletics' were just a few of the activities our students had an opportunity to see and participate in.

On September 19<sup>th</sup> voting took place for this year's Student Council. Congratulations to our elected members.

The following students have been elected:

**President** Luke Merluzzi

**Vice President** Parker Hogan

**Secretary** Sam Crane

**Treasurer** Carly Merluzzi

**Grades 5/6 Rep.** Rebekah Crane

**Grade 7 Rep.** Ricky Farrell

The results of last year's Science NECAP testing for grades 4 & 8 have arrived. Wentworth students over all did fairly well. All our students fell in the range of proficient or partially proficient.

On October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> students (and staff) in grades 7 & 8 embarked on the annual AMC trip to Crawford Notch for an outdoor education program. Students learned about the changing season, habitats of animals, animal identification, GPS training as well as hiking in the White Mountain national forest. A very nice learning experience.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

October 1<sup>st</sup> Annual can food drive kicks off

October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> NECAP Testing

October 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Usborne Books book fair

October 5<sup>th</sup> Open House 6:00 – 7:00 pm @ WES

October 6<sup>th</sup> Picture day

October 7<sup>th</sup> ½ day for students / Teacher in-service.

October 9<sup>th</sup> Trimester 1 progress reports go home

October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade AMC trip

October 20<sup>th</sup> K 1 & 2 Beans & Greens field trip

October 17<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting 5:00 pm @ WES

October 21<sup>st</sup> Magazine drive kick off

October 28<sup>th</sup> Halloween dance 2:45 -5:00 pm @ WES

November 10<sup>th</sup> ½ day for students / Teachers in -service day

November 11<sup>th</sup> No School Veterans day.

November 17<sup>th</sup> WES Thanksgiving lunch

November 23<sup>rd</sup> ½ day

November 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving break.

December 7<sup>th</sup> Holiday concert

## KUDOS'

To Mr. Bruce Parson (Principal of PRHS) for the donation of risers and electric keyboard for our music program. These additions are greatly appreciated.

To Pastor John Wentworth and the Wentworth Congregational Church for the school supplies that were donated for ALL of our students to take home.

To Mr. Randy Morrison for the removal and clean up of the large pine trees along the side of the parking lot as well as a core of wood to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class to be raffled off for their class trip. Their goal is Washington DC.

To coach Dan M. for another great soccer season. Thank you

To Ms. Pat Andrus (school program coordinator) of the NH Highland Games. Thank you for this wonderful cultural experience.

To Ms. Tessa Morphis (guidance counselor) for all her hard work getting the NWEA & NECAP testing ready for our teachers & staff. Nice job

To Country House Septic and Newton Excavating of Warren for their quick response and help with our septic issue. They were able to find and fix the problem and the school was back in session the next day. Thank you

To ALL THE STAFF for a smooth response to our septic issue. Parents were contacted and our students arrived home safely. Thank you all.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the principal's report of October 17, 2011, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

**Correspondence -** none

## Discussion Items-

1. MS25 and DOE25 signed by the board
2. Food Service Federal Guidelines- Mr. Petrin went over the Federal Guidelines with the board.
3. Purchasing Policy – tabled until next month

4. Kitchen Use Policy- Mr. Davis would like the policy amended to state that school board give prior approval for request for use of kitchen for non school activities and makes a motion to accept the policy as amended, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.
  
5. Teacher Hiring Procedures- Dr. Gaides went over current hiring process for professional staff.

#### **Privilege of the Floor –**

Angela Comeau – Asked how many 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and how many 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. There are four 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and thirteen 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. And asked if there was any resolution for the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom. The hiring of a new teacher is in process. Angela also stated she appreciated that here requests for info to be put in the newsletter were done and thanks Mr. Charpentier and Mrs. Young. Also made note of the open communication she has with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

Marni Kozak – Would like to see a policy in place for possible installment of a door bell at the front door when it is locked. The board will speak with Mr. Francis. Marni also asked where the ski program will be. IT will take place a Cannon Mtn. which also has an adaptive ski program.

Melissa Farrell – Asked why there was a sub for 3 weeks and parents did not know. Mrs. Toomey explained that at the initial time of the substitute teacher it was not clear that this would be long term and that only daily notification had been given. It was only recent that notice had been given that the teacher would be leaving.

#### **Claims and Payroll – signed by the board**

Mr. Davis made a motion to enter into non public at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to end non public and adjourn at 7:20, seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

# WENTWORTH SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of November 14, 2011

Present

Board

Steve Davis  
Kathleen Mack  
Francis Muzzey

Audience

Karla Chierichetti  
Angela Kenneson-Comeau  
Nick Gagnon  
Deb Gelsi  
Kenyon Karl  
Marnie Kozak  
Erin Newton

Administration

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent  
Keith Charpentier, Principal

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m. by Francis Muzzey

Francis Muzzey reaffirmed the emergency decision to hire Marisa Delhay as the Grade 3 teacher for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. The announcement was made at this meeting so parents are aware of the decision.

**Agenda Review and Disposition** - None

**Minutes of October 17, 2011**

**\*\* Francis Muzzey moved, seconded by Kathleen Mack to accept the minutes of October 17, 2011 as written. All in favor.**

**Principal's Report**

Keith Charpentier distributed and reviewed his report.

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, students in grades 5 & 6 headed to Concord, NH to the McAuliffe Shepard Discovery Center. This was a nice trip to study the stars.

On November 12, three of our middle school students competed in the FLL (First Lego League) Robotics Competition at Bishop Brady High School in Concord, NH. This was WES' first time competing and they should be very proud of themselves. Keith Charpentier expressed how proud he was of the students. It was a long day and they had 3 rounds of competition. Each round they bettered themselves. They came in 13<sup>th</sup> place out of 17.

This year, Mr. Gagnon will be the basketball coach. Practices start tomorrow, November 15<sup>th</sup>. The first game is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup>. Good luck, Falcons!

The non-perishable food drive has come to a close. I'm proud to announce WES exceeded its goal of 250 items.

To celebrate Red Ribbon Week, students in all grades worked with Mrs. Fauteux during art classes to paint pumpkins showing they are drug free. Along with that, a power point presentation was viewed during Morning Meeting talking about remaining drug free.

The school board approved Marisa Delhay to fill the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teaching position for the remainder of the school year. She has done a wonderful job and we are happy to have her with us.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class is working very hard on fundraising. The goal is to raise the funds in order to travel to Washington, DC for their class trip. They have raised over \$1,400 towards their goal so far. Steve Davis offered to donate his board stipend to the class for their trip. Discussion ensued.

#### Kudos

- To: Ms. Peggy Grass at Longview Farm for donating the pumpkins for our Red Ribbon Week celebration. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row – Thank you!
- To: Mr. Blake, Mr. Gagnon, Mr. Hohman and Kim McCart for a nice Halloween Open House.
- To: Ms. Quesnell for all her extra time in preparing our students for the FLL Competition.
- To: Ms. Morphis for putting together our Red Ribbon Week Celebration.
- To: Brice Chierichetti, Ryan O'Reilly, and Cassandra Feraco for representing WES in the FLL Competition.
- To: Mr. Guy Brochu for coming in and teaching some TawKwonDo skills to our upper grades.

#### Save the Date

- Nov. 17 – WES Community Thanksgiving Lunch  
Nov. 23 – First Trimester Ends  
Nov. 23 – Half Day of School 11:45 AM Dismissal  
Nov. 24-27 – No School – Thanksgiving Break  
Dec. 2 – Report Cards Go Home  
Dec. 3 – 9 AM – 3 PM Wentworth Historical Society Holiday Fair at Town Hall  
Dec. 7 – WES Winter Concert  
Dec. 23 – Half day of school – 11:45 AM Dismissal  
Dec. 24 – Jan. 2 – NO School – Holiday Break

**\*\* Kathleen Mack moved, seconded by Steve Davis to accept the principal's report. All in favor.**

#### Discussion Items

1. Draft #1 – 2012-2013 Budget – The Draft #1 proposed budget was distributed to the Board. Francis Muzzey asked what information was used for the teacher salary line. Ethel Gaides stated that there are 7.8 FTE's in the line. She also stated that there is an increase of 11.7% for the health insurance, but dental insurance is reduced 8.3% for 2012-2013.

Discussion ensued regarding the expenditures and budgeted amounts for the 2010-2011 school year.

Ethel Gaides stated that if the Board has any questions to call or email. She reviewed the district meeting calendar. The proposed district meeting date is Saturday, March 10 and the proposed budget hearing is February 13, 2012.

The next Board meeting will be December 5. Plans are to have budget review be the only discussion item.

Steve Davis asked that there be extra meetings for budget review if needed. He stated that there will be a Nonpublic Session meeting on November 16 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the tentative WEA proposal.

Francis Muzzey stated that budget sessions are open to the public but negotiations are not open to the public.

The Board signed a preschool transportation contract.

Steve Davis asked if Ethel Gaides could get a summary of Obama's key points of NCLB that he waived.

2. Purchasing Policy – Steve Davis recommended that any individual discretionary purchase in excess of \$1,000, require prior Board approval. Steve Davis stated that it is no reflection on Keith Charpentier's decision ability.

**\*\* Francis Muzzey moved, seconded by Steve Davis to approve the purchasing policy. Discussion ensued. Motion approved. Kathleen Mack voted no.**

3. Other Business – None

### **Privilege of the Floor**

Angela Kenneson-Comeau reported that there are two Wentworth Elementary students in the Plymouth State University Education Collaborate play called *The Wild Swans*. She reiterated to the Board and Keith Charpentier that she would like to continue seeing meeting reminders in the monthly newsletters. She stated that she attended a Pemi-Baker Regional School Board meeting and Steve Davis may want to get in touch with Ross Deachman regarding information on the NCLB key points.

Angela stated how disappointed she is in the Board with their behavior at meetings. The side conversations, rolling eyes with comments from the floor and just staring is very unprofessional. She feels if the Board cannot work together then they need to step down.

Deb Gelsi stated how she feels the attitude from the Board is condescending. It makes people not want to participate. The Board works for the public and the school should be run based on the public's wishes. She feels the public should be treated with respect.

Deb wanted to give kudos to Erin Newton and Keith Charpentier. Her daughter was struggling with math and they have been working with her. She is doing much better. Thank you for your help.

Deb wanted to let the Board know there was an issue on the bus with her daughter and other students being called names. Keith resolved the issue that same day and there haven't been any other issues. Thank you.

Deb wanted to recognize three students in the Plymouth Huskies Cheerleading. They will be going to the New England Regionals. They are: Becca Crane, Sage Haring and Cassandra Gordon.

Marnie Kozak asked how many students are needed to commit to the winter program. Keith Charpentier stated that at least 40 students are needed. Steve Davis asked what the cost is to parents for their child to participate. Keith stated that it is \$49 for six weeks of lessons. If rentals are needed, then it is an additional \$49 for the rentals. Steve Davis suggested checking into other ski areas for prices. Keith Charpentier stated that it is late in the season to check other places. Parents have been informed about the program because it has been in the weekly announcements. Discussion ensued.

## **Consent Items**

1. Claims and Payroll – reviewed and signed by Board.
2. Correspondence – the Board received an invitation for the turkey dinner on November 17 from 11:30 – 12:15.

Discussion ensued regarding snow plowing. Kathleen Mack suggested putting snow removal out to bid.

## **Nonpublic Session**

**\*\* Francis Muzzey moved, seconded by Kathleen Mack to enter Nonpublic Session at 6:07 p.m. to discuss personnel. All in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn M. Davis  
Secretary Pro Tem

## NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The Board returned to public session at 6:40 p.m. upon a motion by Steve Davis, seconded by Francis Muzzey.

Steve Davis moved, seconded by Francis Muzzey to close the school on January 10, 2012 for the NH Primary.

The School Board asked to have a snow day discussion; make-up of days on the December agenda.

The School Board asked to have Jon Francis get quotes for security/safety glass for the office window and a 2-way intercom system.

Steve Davis moved, seconded by Francis Muzzey to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel F. Gaides

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of December 5, 2011  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack

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

**Public Present:** Angela Kenneson-Comeau

**Teachers Present:** Erin Kindl and Sarah Cormiea

The board entered into non -public pursuant to RSA 91-A3 at 5:03p.m.

The board ended on non-public session and opened public session at 5:10p.m.

The school board discussed the Wentworth Education Association proposal and delivered a response.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** nothing added or deleted.

**Minutes of November 14, 2011 School Board Meeting:** Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the Minutes of November 14, 2011, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

**Principal's Report:**

On Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup> around 163 community members and friends gathered @WES for the annual Thanksgiving Lunch. It was a wonderful time to celebrate the holiday with community members as well as faculty, staff & friends.

WES exceeded its goal of 250 non – perishable food items to donate to the Warren / Wentworth food pantry. Thanks to all that helped. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class at the lunch gave a check for \$57 as part of a donation. These funds were taken out of a fundraiser they did to help support their own class trip. This was a very nice community event.

On Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup> students in grades 3-8 participated in a program entitled “college is possible”. Lee Waldvogel from NHHEAF, (New Hampshire higher education assistance foundation) met with students to discuss thinking about their future and the many different types of higher education. It was a very interactive program and I found students to be engaged.

On Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup> members of the Wentworth and Russell Elementary Schools performed in the Plymouth Town holiday parade. What a nice treat too see them march.

I would like to report that we have the numbers needed (41 students) for the winter program. The deadline for payment is December 16<sup>th</sup>. From there we will see if the funding is in place to continue.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Report Cards go home

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Wentworth Historical Society holiday fair

@ town Hall 9:00 – 3:00pm

December 5<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting @ 5:00pm

December 7<sup>th</sup> Holiday Concert @ 6:00pm

December 23<sup>rd</sup> ½ day of school

December 26<sup>th</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> Winter Break

January 10<sup>th</sup> No School Election Day.

## **KUDOS'**

To all the students and Staff of WES for all their help in making the Thanksgiving Lunch a success. Special thanks to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade for all their hard work in preparation and clean –up.

To Mr. Keith Holman for the extra energy & effort into putting on a wonderful Thanksgiving Lunch. Very impressive feast.

To Mr. Steve Davis for his generous donation to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. This will go a long way in meeting their financial goal.

To Mr. Dan Nelson of the Hobbit Hill Farm of Wentworth for the donation of tomatoes for the school lunch program.

To Ms. Tessa Morphis for bringing the college is possible program to WES for our students.

To Ms. Courtney Hiltz and members of the WES band for their outstanding performance in the Plymouth holiday parade. You should be very proud of yourselves.

Dr. Gaides added a thank you to the students, staff and parents for the wonderful Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the principal's report of December 5, 2011, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Correspondence** - none

## **Discussion Items-**

1. Snow day – discussion ensued regarding thoughts on making up snow days on Saturdays instead of at the end of the school year in June. Discussion will take place at the faculty meeting. Mr. Davis makes a motion to build in Saturday make up snow days, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor

2. Other Business – protective glass at the front office window.

**Privilege of the Floor –**

Angela Kenneson Comeau- concerned with smell of propane in the cafeteria. The stove is in need of repair and someone is coming out to assess it. The board requests this is a priority repair.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION-** review draft 1 of budget

**Claims and Payroll –** signed by the board

**Correspondence-** Thank you note from the Borger family for use of cafeteria.

Mr. Davis made a motion to enter into non public at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to end non public and adjourn at 7:15p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of December 12, 2011  
Wentworth Elementary School

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Francis Muzzey, seconded by Steve Davis. All were in favor.

Francis Muzzey made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to go into nonpublic session at 6:01 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A.3 for the purpose of negotiations with representatives from the Wentworth Education Association. All were in favor.

Steve Davis made a motion to end nonpublic session and adjourn at 7:30 pm, seconded by Francis Muzzey. All were in favor.

No action was taken during nonpublic session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

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Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of January 4, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Francis Muzzey, seconded by Steve Davis. All were in favor.

Francis Muzzey made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to go into nonpublic session at 5:01 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A.3 for the purpose of negotiations with representatives from the Wentworth Education Association. All were in favor.

Steve Davis made a motion to end nonpublic session and adjourn at 6:30 pm, seconded by Francis Muzzey. All were in favor.

No action was taken during nonpublic session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of January 9, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Francis Muzzey

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

**Public Present:** Kenyan Karl, Ellie Murray and Marni Kozak,  
Kevin Kay

**Teachers Present:** Phoebe Sanborn

Mr. Davis made a motion to open public session at 5:07 p.m. seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** nothing added or deleted.

**Minutes of November 10, 2011 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of November 10, 2011, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Minutes of December 5, 2011 School Board Meeting:** Change “ The School Board signed the Wentworth Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.” to “The School Board discussed Wentworth Education Association proposal and delivered a response.” Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of December 3, 2011, as amended, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Minutes of December 12, 2011 School Board Meeting:** on the final page, final paragraph change “seconded by Mrs. Mack” to “seconded by Mr. Muzzey” Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of December 12, 2011, as amended, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Principal’s Report:**

On Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup> guest speakers from Dartmouth-Hitchcock’s sports medicine came to visit students in grades 5-8 for health class and discussed concussions. This was a very informative session.

Thus far the WES Falcons basketball season stands at 3 losses and 1 win. The games have been very close and exciting to watch. Go Falcons.

The winter program @ Cannon Mt. began on Friday January 6<sup>th</sup>. The conditions at the Mt. are a bit icy but everyone is off to a good start.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

January 6<sup>th</sup> First day of winter program.

January 9<sup>th</sup> School board-meeting @ 6:00pm

January 10<sup>th</sup> No School Election Day.

January 13<sup>th</sup> No School Teacher In Service Day

January 16<sup>th</sup> No School Martin Luther King day

January 20<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports go home

January 21<sup>ST</sup> make up snow day DISMISSIAL @ 11:45

January 23<sup>RD</sup> PRHS Move – Up Night for 8<sup>th</sup> grade@ 6:00pm

**KUDOS’**

To Mrs. Mersch for arranging the folks from DHSM to meet with our students.

Nice job

To The Young family for the painting of classroom doors, mop boards in the gym as well as the cleaning out of the staff fridge. Thank –you

**Correspondence - none**

### **Privilege of the Floor –**

Kenyan Karl made a request to add and addendum to the proposed budget as to the expected enrollment for each grade, as well as, proposed classroom set up. After discussion the board is happy to add proposed information in time for the March District Meeting.

Marni Kozak suggested building in 5 extra days into the school calendar instead of having Saturday school days.

Kevin Kay asked about the teacher conference day being on Friday and the children have no school but have to come in for school on Saturday could this be adjusted.

### **Discussion Items-**

1. Budget discussion – will be discussed after negotiations
2. Other Business – None

### **Claims and Payroll – signed by the board**

Mrs. Mack made a motion to enter into nonpublic at 6:32 p.m., seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to end non public and adjourn at 6:50p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of February 1, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Francis Muzzey, seconded by Steve Davis. All were in favor.

Francis Muzzey made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to go into nonpublic session at 5:01 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A.3 for the purpose of negotiations with representatives from the Wentworth Education Association. All were in favor.

Steve Davis made a motion to end nonpublic session and adjourn at 7:30 pm, seconded by Francis Muzzey. All were in favor.

No action was taken during nonpublic session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

Official

Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of February 6, 2012  
Wentworth Town Office Building

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Francis Muzzey

Administration Present: Ethel Gaides, Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Angela Comeau, Phoebe Sanborn, Bernice Sullivan

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Francis Muzzey, seconded by Steve Davis. All were in favor.

The first order of business was the ratification of 2012-2014 Wentworth Education Association contract by the School Board. Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to ratify the 2012-2014 Wentworth Education Association contract. Francis Muzzey voted no. He stated that he wanted his three reasons for his no vote in the minutes of the meeting:

1. The medical insurance is discriminatory.
2. There is no cap on teacher training/courses line in the budget.
3. He does not agree with a multi-year contract.

The second order of business was discussion on the FY 2012-2013 budget.

Angela Comeau expressed her concern that the meeting was being held during the day at 1:00 pm at the Wentworth Town Office Building.

The School Board reviewed draft #2 of the budget line by line.

Additions:

- \$8,000 to the preschool line. Mr. Charpentier presented new information he had regarding a special education preschool student who was moving to Wentworth this year.
- \$900 to the library books line.
- \$50 to election services printing line.
- \$1,050 to the lawn mowing service line.

The School Board had additional questions for Mr. Charpentier of various increases in lines of the budget. He will bring information regarding the increases to the Monday, February 13 School Board meeting. There were additional questions raised regarding the lease of copier, school treasurer salary and miscellaneous expenses lines, information technology services, and capital reserve. These questions will be answered at the Monday, February 13 School Board meeting.

There will be a draft #3 of the FY 2012-2013 budget for the February 13 School Board meeting. The School District Budget hearing will follow the School Board meeting.

Francis Muzzey made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis, to go into nonpublic session at 3:05 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A.3 for the purpose of personnel.

Steve Davis made a motion to end nonpublic session and adjourn at 4:35 pm, seconded by Francis Muzzey. All were in favor. There will be the costs of an additional classroom aide placed in draft #3 of the FY 2012-2013 budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of February 13, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Francis Muzzey

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

**Public Present:** Angela Kenneson-Comeau, Melisa Lawell, Erin Pratt, Kenyan Karl, Ellie Murray and Marni Kozak, Carol Friedrich

**Teachers Present:** Sara Cormiea, Tessa Morphis, Erin Kindl, Phoebe Sanborn, Erin Newton

Mr. Muzzy made a motion to open public session at 5:02 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** nothing added or deleted.

**Minutes of January 4, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of January 4, 2012, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.

**Minutes of January 9, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of January 9, 2012, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.

**Minutes of February 1, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of February 1, 2012, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.

**Minutes of February 6, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Minutes of February 6, 2012, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.

**Principal's Report:** The WES Falcons basketball season has come to a close. The final record stand at 7 losses and 1 win. The games have been very close and exciting to watch. I'm very proud of the team.

I'm pleased to announce the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class has picked the dates (May 29<sup>th</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup>) for their class trip to Washington DC. The Hotel reservations and plane tickets have been purchased. They are now working on the final Itinerary as well as fund raising efforts.

On Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> all grades celebrated 100ths day in the afternoon from 1:30 -2:30. The student council sponsored this activity which all related to 100.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

February 9<sup>th</sup> 100th day

February 10<sup>th</sup> ½ day for student's / teacher in-service day

February 27<sup>th</sup> – March 2 Winter break

March 6<sup>th</sup> Voting day starting @ 11: 30

March 9<sup>th</sup> Second Trimester ends

March 10<sup>th</sup> School District Meeting @ 3:00 pm

March 16<sup>th</sup> Report Cards go home

March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> student lead conferences

April 14<sup>th</sup> WES Chorus performance Verizon Center

April 16<sup>th</sup> spring picture day

## **KUDOS'**

To Mr. Nick Gagnon & Ms. Erin Kindl for their time and valuable presentations at this years SAU wide district in-service day. Their workshops where very well attended and focused on technology in the classroom. [IE] iPad applications, Interactive whiteboards, and technology integration. I am very proud of their technology skills and willingness to share with other teachers in SAU 48. Nice job.

To Mr. Nick Gagnon and the WES basketball team. I was very impressed with your attitude, sportsmanship, and sense of fair play. The final win / loss total does not reflect your efforts. Great season

To Mrs. Cormiea / Mrs. Clark and Student Counsel for a wonderful 100<sup>th</sup> day celebration. Thank -you

**Correspondence** - none

## **Discussion Items-**

1. NECAP- Results were distributed. WES is at 68% proficiency in reading and 63% proficiency in math. This reflects scores for grades 3 through 8.
2. Enrollment/Grade configuration distributed. Discussion ensued.
3. Other Business – 1 snow day has been made up. Frances made a motion to count the make up day as a full day. Seconded by Mrs. Mack

**Privilege of the Floor** – NONE

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Application for WES kitchen use approved by Mr. Muzzy, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Mr. Muzzy made a motion to enter into non public session at 5:56 p.m, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to end non public and adjourn at 6:03p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

## Official

**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of February 13, 2012  
BUDGET HEARING  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Francis Muzzey

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

**Public Present:** Marni Kozak, Sarah Cormiea, Tessa Morphis, Erin Kindl, Phoebe Sanborn, Erin Newton, Steve Welch, Patti Welch, Maria Young, Karla Chierichetti, R. Pete Chierichetti, Kevin Kay, Erin Pratt, Jason Williams, Ellie Murray, Deb Gelsi, Kim Wheeler.

Mr. Muzzy made a motion to open the Budget Hearing at 6:03 p.m., seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

The school Board presented the proposed budget line by line.

Discussion ensued and debate began at great length with regard to the proposal of cutting two teachers in order to decrease the budget.

Mr. Davis made a motion to move the budget forward as amended to town meeting for voting, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. Mrs. Mack not in favor.

Ms. Gelsi notes that the School Board did not make adjustment to the budget after public pleading to amend the teacher salaries line.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to close the budget hearing at 7:30 p.m. seconded by Mr. Francis. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of March 12, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Francis Muzzey

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

**Public Present:** Angela Kenneson-Comeau, Melisa Farell, Kenyan Karl, Ellie Murray, Karla Chierichett, Melisa Farell, Kevin LaPointe, Paula Davis, Ramandeep Davis

**Teachers Present:** Sara Cormiea, Erin Kindl, Nick Gagnon

Mr. Davis made a motion to open public session at 5:00 p.m. seconded by Mr. Muzzey. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** added WEA and WES ratified agreement, as approved by the town, was signed by the Wentworth School Board.

**Minutes of February 13, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Muzzy made a motion to accept the Minutes of February 13, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Minutes of February 13, 2012 Budget Hearing:** Mr. Charpentier noted that attendees were not listed. The board request attendees be listed on the Minutes of the February 13, 2012 Budget Hearing. Mr. Muzzy made a motion to accept the Minutes of February 13, 2012, Budget Hearing, as amended, seconded by Mrs. Mack . All were in favor.

### **Principal's Report:**

On Wednesday March 7, WES had a visitor. The CAT & THE HAT to celebrate Read Across America Week. She (Dr. Gaides) read to students in grades K – 6. This was a very nice morning.

The following dates are set for the remaining winter program:

March 9<sup>th</sup>, March 16<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup>. Lets hope the snow sticks around.

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

March 9<sup>th</sup> Second Trimester ends

March 10<sup>th</sup> School District Meeting @ 3:00 pm WES gym

March 12<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting @ 5:00 pm WES

March 13<sup>th</sup> Voting day starting @ 11: 30 am WES gym

March 16<sup>th</sup> Report Cards go home

March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Student Lead Conferences 3:00 – 6:00 Thursday & 12:00 – 3:00 Friday

April 14<sup>th</sup> WES Chorus performance Verizon Center @ 3:00pm

April 16<sup>th</sup> Spring Picture day

April 20<sup>th</sup> thriving in the middle school conference for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27th Spring Recess

May 16<sup>th</sup> spring concert @ 6:00pm WES gym

### **KUDOS'**

To Dr. Ethel Gaides for taking time out of her busy schedule to come and read to our students. Thank You.

To Mr. & Mrs. Steven Davis for their recent donation to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. These funds will go a long way. Thank you from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys.

**Correspondence - none**

### **Discussion Items-**

1. Washington DC 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip – Mr. Davis made a motion to approved the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip, seconded by Mr. Muzzy. All were in favor.
2. Technology Integration Showcase – Sarah Cormiea gave a presentation of digital student portfolios. Erin Kindl gave a hands on presentation on I - pad applications with spelling and math, as well as, reading. Nick Gagnon presented a hands on experience of Renaissance Responder and how it is integrated with math and science.
3. Other Business – 1 snow day has been made up. Frances made a motion to count the make-up day as a full day. Seconded by Mrs. Mack

**Privilege of the Floor** – Angela Kenneson Comeau Thought that tonight’s presentation should have been delivered prior to Saturday’s district meeting. After seeing all this work she is concerned of how difficult it will be to keep up in grades 5 through 8.

Steve Davis noted that the teachers at WES will be considered and consulted in the decision making process for assessing class make up for next year.

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board. There was one expenditure authorized by the principal and paid prior to school board approval for water testing in excess of \$1000.00.

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of April 09, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Kathleen Mack, Bernice Sullivan

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

**Public Present:** Kenyan Karl, Ellie Murray, Francis Muzzey, and Marni Kozak

**Teachers Present:** Sara Cormiea, Erin Kindl,

Mr. Davis made a motion to open public session at 5:05 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Dr. Gaides asked the board to nominate a chair person. The board request there not be a chair person.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** nothing added or deleted.

**Minutes of March 12, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Francis Muzzey noted that a comment made regarding a purchase was not in the Minutes. The board noted to the school board secretary and the minutes will be amended and brought for approval at the May14th meeting. Mr. Charpentier noted a correction in discussion item 2 that Erin Kindle gave a presentation on I Pad applications not kindl applications.

**Minutes of March 26, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of March 26, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Mack. Ms. Sullivan abstained.

**Principal's Report:**

WES will once again have a combined gender baseball team. Mr. Gagnon will be the 2012 coach. Practices start on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Let's wish them well this season.

Student- Led- Conferences went very well. I'm so proud of everyone's efforts in making this a productive experience for our students and their parents.

On Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> students in grades 7 & 8 had the opportunity to travel to Lincoln NH and join Lin-Wood Middle School for a special screening of the Hunger Games. The students are reading this series in their Reading/ LA class. This was a nice way to enhance this lesson.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

March 31<sup>st</sup> Saturday school 11:30 dismissal

April 9<sup>th</sup> School board-meeting @5:00pm

April 10<sup>th</sup> Baseball practice starts

April 14<sup>th</sup> Monarch's hockey game 3:00 pm Verizon Center (students performing)

April 16<sup>th</sup> Spring Picture day / Artist in residence program K-1&2

April 20<sup>th</sup> Thriving in the middle school conference for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27th Spring Recess

May 16<sup>th</sup> Spring concert @ 6:00pm WES gym

May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012 - 2013 Kindergarten screening

**KUDOS'**

To all the students and teachers for an outstanding SLC. It went very smoothly and showcased our students and this schools academic programs. Nice job everyone.

To Mr. Nick Gagnon, Mrs. Sarah Cormiea & Ms. Erin Kindl for their wonderful technology presentations to the board. Your skills in this area are an asset to this school. Thank you

To Mr. Jason Duchett of Lin-Wood Middle School for helping WES obtain the tickets for the showing of the Hunger Games

To Mr. & Mrs. Comeau, Mr. & Mrs. Chierichetti, Mrs. Davis, Officer Hutchins as well as Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Cormiea and student council members for their support during our Cabin Fever Dance after school on Friday March 30<sup>th</sup>. There were 46 students k – 8 in attendance.

#### **Correspondence -**

1. WES fire inspection report
2. Copy of final adopted budget

#### **Discussion Items-**

1. 2012-2013 school calendar --- discussion ensued regarding make-up snow days and the percentage of students in attendance. Attendance is low on Saturdays. Mr. Davis made a motion to cancel future Saturdays for make-up days and to reschedule for the end of the school year and further to accept March 31, 2012 as a make-up day. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Further discussion ensued with regard to ½ days and holidays. After School Board recommendations Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the 2012 – 2013 school calendar as modified, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

2. Other Business – On April 2, 2012 WES received notification that they will receive \$2,808 in grant funds for the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.

**Privilege of the Floor** – Marni Kozak asked the school board what the plan is for next year in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. Mr. Davis noted the board does not have an answer at this time, possibly next month.

Francis Muzzey feels that grant figures he had asked for do not add up with previous numbers he received. He also feels as though he was lied to last year when deciding teachers and assignments as to whether or not the teachers had any input on the matter. He believes the teachers should have a say and asked if contracts had been handed out and if any decisions had been made. The board has not delivered contracts or made any decisions at this time.

Kenyan Karl expressed concerns that there are times when planning board and school board meetings conflict. The board explained that they do meet on the second Monday of every month unless there is a holiday.

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Mrs. Mack s made a motion to enter nonpublic at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

The School Board ended non public at 7:10 p.m and adjourned at 7:12.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of May 14, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan

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

**Public Present:** Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Deb Gelsi and Marni Kozak at 5:30 Ellie Murray

**Teachers Present:** Phoebe Sanborn

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to open public session at 5:00 p.m. seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** nothing added or deleted.

**Amended Minutes of March 12, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the amended minutes of March 12, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

**Non Public Minutes of April 9, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the non-public minutes of April 9, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

**Minutes of April 9, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of April 9, 2012, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

## **Principal's Report:**

The baseball season is underway. Thus far the team's record stands at 1 win & 3 losses. The outcomes of the games are not an indication of how enjoyable the contests have been for both the team and spectators.

On April 16<sup>th</sup> students in Kindergarten 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had the opportunity to work with an artist in residents. He is a world percussion performer. This program was sponsored by the NH Very Fine Arts Council.

April 13<sup>th</sup> found the 8<sup>th</sup> grade making a visit to Newfound Memorial Middle School for Holocaust Survivor presentation. This presentation fits nicely into the social studies curriculum as well as the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip to DC.

(14) WES and (9) RES school chorus members performed at the Verizon Center on April 14<sup>th</sup>. I'm very proud of our students.

On April 20<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students made a trip to Plymouth NH to take part in thriving in the middle school program. WES students have participated in this program in the past. The program is sponsored by CADY. (Center for Adolescent and Drug Free Youth). The program centers on drug & alcohol awareness.

## **SAVE THE DATES:**

May 14<sup>th</sup> school board meeting @5:00 pm

May 11<sup>th</sup> WES movie afternoon @2:45 -4:45

May 16<sup>th</sup> spring concert @ 6:00 pm WES gym

May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012 – 2013 Kindergarten screening @3:00 – 4:00 pm

May 24<sup>th</sup> Academic Fair night@ 6:00 – 7:00 pm

May 28<sup>th</sup> No School Memorial Day

May 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> 8th grade class trip to DC, K -3rd & 4<sup>th</sup> grades to Squam Lakes Science Center

June 1<sup>st</sup> Grades 5th – 8th Dinner / Movie night

June 2<sup>nd</sup> PRHS Graduation @ 9:00 am

June 5<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to State Capital building Concord NH, 5th – 8th Grade to Boston Ma. & The Freedom Trial.

June 8<sup>th</sup> Grades 1&2 Montshire Museum

June 12<sup>th</sup> WES 8th Grade Graduation. @ 6:00 pm, Class day@ 1:00 pm

June 14<sup>th</sup> Last day of school

### **KUDOS'**

To Ms. Courtney Hiltz for the time she spent putting together the trip to the Verizon Center for our music program. The students did a nice job.

To Mrs. Comeau & Mrs. Kozak for the time they put into raking and weeding the flowerbeds and the front of the school. It looks great.

To Bobby Cass, Mr. Scott & Steven Davis, Mr. John Comeau, Ms. Bertha & Tucker Hill, Mollie, Emily, and Mr. Duane Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Evans & Aaron, Parker Hogan, Mr. Keith Hohman, Mr. Keith Charpentier, Mr. Tristan Blake, Precision Lumber of Wentworth, Warren Sand & Gravel and Mr. Nick Gagnon for all their help in getting the baseball field in good shape for the start of the season. This was a large task to undertake. Thank you so much.

To Mrs. Skye Devarney (social studies teacher) and Mr. Eric Chase (principal) at NMMS for inviting the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class to hear the holocaust speaker. It was a very powerful presentation & for allowing our students to join them on the Capital building tour in DC.

To Mr. Jon Francis for the donation of bark mulch. It has made the grounds look nice. Thank You Jon.

To the following people who provided "treats" for

### **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK.**

Angela Comeau

Kim Wheeler

Karla Chierichetti

Keith Hohman

Janice Comeau

Holly Hogan

Erin Pratt

Deb Gelsi

Deep Davis

Keith Charpentier

Jen Kay

Theresa Evans

\* A very special **Thank You** to Karla Chierichetti who was the “Master Mind” and organizer for this wonderful week.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the principal’s report, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

### **Correspondence -**

1. WES fire inspection report
2. Copy of final adopted budget

### **Discussion Items-**

1. Head lice policy - after discussion there will be a second reading at the June meeting.
2. Physical Exam Policy – after discussion there will be a second reading at the June meeting.
3. Preschool Update - additional students making it necessary to adjust the budget. The board may need to schedule a special non-public meeting for this issue.
4. Other Business – Keith announced that WES has received the grant for next year for the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.

Bids for mowing were reviewed by the board. Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the bid from Oikle and Sons at \$2,250, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Dr. Gaides noted that at the April meeting the SAU was accused of error in reporting on grants. In response she states that there had in fact been no error in that the total costs for the grant had been disclosed and that anyone

seeking a copy of the grant may obtain one from the SAU office. Dr. Gaides looked into a check that had been in questions last month. The check in question was for water testing and there were 4 invoices ( 1 for each test). Instead of writing 4 checks to the same vendor all invoices were totaled and issued in one check. Dr. Gaides was able to write a grant for re allocation of title I funds for WES. This will allow WES and the board has approved the purchase of laptops and provide a Title I teacher for summer school, separate from special education summer school. Through electronic vote Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the reallocation of Title I funds, not to exceed \$8,500, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. Mr. Davis made a motion to reaffirm the electronic vote, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

**Privilege of the Floor –** Marni Kozak noted the date for the school board meeting was incorrectly noted in the Principal’s report as 5/8 as well as in the newsletter. She asked if anyone at the school at any time received any scholarship information regarding Barry Conservation Camp. To date that has not happened. The board advised Ms. Kozak to look into it as the school would be happy to encourage such a program. Ms. Kozak also asked if the board new of the grade configurations for next year. At this time the board does not have an answer.

Francis Muzzey inquired about a \$5,000.00 wood bill. He also asked why Title I was available to every student. Dr. Gaides explained that due to poverty levels WES is a school wide school. Mr. Muzzey asked what the reallocated Title I funds for. He asked how long minutes could be sealed. The board responded that the minutes could be sealed indefinitely. Mr. Muzzey referred to a letter he received from Dr. Gaides and wanted to address Dr. Gaides and the board that there was no intent to question Dr. Gaides’ authority or grant writing, only the source of the numbers. Mr. Muzzey also noted he received a letter from the board that had no signatures. The board noted that it had been signed electronically. Mr. Muzzey feels the administration holds information from the town. He will determine through his own means teachers’ salaries and post his own findings. He added that he would like to make sure that there is teacher input with decision making for next year.

Phoebe Sanborn asked if the information for next year's Title I funds are in yet. Dr. Gaides reported that allocations from Federal to State are in, but as of yet the State has not allocated to school. Mrs. Sanborn wanted the board to know that with the reduction of teachers she felt it important that WES does have math and reading support.

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to end public session and enter non-public session at 6: 26p.m., seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

The School Board ended non-public session and adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of June 6, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Kathleen Mack, seconded by Steve Davis. All were in favor.

Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to go into nonpublic session at 3:01 p.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A.3 for the purpose of personnel with teachers from the Wentworth Education Association. All were in favor.

Steve Davis made a motion to end nonpublic session and adjourn at 4:30 p.m. seconded by Kathleen Mack. All were in favor.

No action was taken during nonpublic session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

# Official

**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of June 11, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

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

**Public Present:** Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray, Marni Kozak, Deb Gelsi

**Teachers Present:**

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to open public session at 5:04 p.m. seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** Under Other Business added Food Service Policy and Visitor's Policy, and summer meeting schedule and school calendar.

**Minutes of May 14, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of May 14, 2012, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

**Principal's Report:**

The baseball season has come to a close. The final record stands at 3 wins & 5 losses. What a great season.

On Friday May 25<sup>th</sup> members of the WES & RES band traveled to Milford NH for the Big East Music Festival. These young performers earned a silver medal for their efforts. Congratulations.

## **SAVE THE DATES:**

June 1<sup>st</sup> Grades 5th – 8th Dinner / Movie night

June 2<sup>nd</sup> PRHS Graduation @ 9:00 am

June 5<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to State Capital building Concord NH, 5th – 8th Grade to Boston Ma. & The Freedom Trial.

June 8<sup>th</sup> Grades 1&2 Montshire Museum

June 12<sup>th</sup> WES 8th Grade Graduation. @ 6:00 pm, Class day@ 1:00 pm

June 14<sup>th</sup> Last day of school 11:45 dismissal

August 23<sup>rd</sup> First day of school for the 2012-2013 year.

## **KUDOS'**

To Mr. Nick Gagnon for an outstanding baseball season. This mix gender team was fun to watch. Thanks

To Mr. Nick Gagnon & Mr. Tristan Blake for all their time energy and extra effort in making the 8th grade class trip so enjoyable. It was an outstanding educational experience & a lot of fun.

To the members of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. It was an honor to be a part of your trip. You represented WES very well. Thank you.

To Mr. Keith Hohman for cooking for the Middle School dinner & movie night. What a great meal.

To Mrs. Heather Clark & Mrs. Sarah Cormiea (student council advisors) for all the effort they put into making the Middle School dinner & movie night so nice for our students.

To Ms. Courtney Hiltz and the members of the Wentworth band on your silver medal.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

**Correspondence** - none

## Discussion Items-

1. Head lice policy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the policy, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor
2. Physical Exam Policy - Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the Policy on Physical Examination, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.
3. Visitor's Policy – 1<sup>st</sup> reading, after discussion there will be a second reading in August.
4. Food Service Charge Policy – After discussion and changes there will be a second reading in August.
5. School Calendar adjustment- Mrs. Mack made a motion to change 1<sup>st</sup> day of School to August 23<sup>rd</sup>, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.
6. Summer School Board Schedule- Monday July 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00p.m.

**Privilege of the Floor** – Marni Kozak asked who is teaching what grades next year. The assignments are as follows:

Kindergarten:	Mrs. Sanborn
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Mrs. Cormiea with Mrs. Clark assisting
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> :	Mrs. O'Brien with Mrs. Toomey assisting
5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> :	Mr. Gagnon teaching Math & Science with Mrs. Byers assisting Mr. Blake teaching English & Social Studies with Mrs. Clark assisting

Mrs. Kozak made it explicitly clear she does not want an aide to teach her children that she feels only a teacher is qualified to teach her children.

Ms. Sullivan explained that an aide is not teaching they will be implementing the curriculum designed by the teacher. Mrs. Kozak disagrees whole heartedly with this method.

Ms. Gelsi asked for the breakdown of class room teaching for the 5/6 and 7/8 curriculum. The board explained that 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> would be taught the core subjects separately from the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Ms. Gelsi also stated her strong dissatisfaction with the first reading of the Visitor's Policy, stating she does not feel parents should be barred from the school or disallowed to observe a classroom or eat lunch with her child. Mrs. Kozak agrees with Ms. Gelsi's statements.

Mr. Muzzey noted he is adamantly opposed to parents evaluating teachers.

Mrs. Kozak asked the board when Mrs. O'Brien would be available for consultation. The board replied she would be available in August. Mrs. Kozak requested the board please ask Mrs. O'Brien to contact Mrs. Kozak as soon as possible.

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to end public session and enter non-public session at 6:10p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to end non-public session at 6:55p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept Ashley Hartson's letter of resignation with regret, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the nomination of Erika Clark and Sara Byers as classroom aides, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the nomination of Erica Wilson as Technology Integrator and library Media Support, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve a one-time \$2,400 stipend/bonus for Keith Charpentier, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe  
School Board Secretary

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**Wentworth School Board  
Minutes of July 16, 2012  
Wentworth Elementary School**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Davis until 5:15 p.m., Bernice Sullivan,  
Kathleen Mack

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

**Public Present:** Kenyan Karl, Jeff McIntire, Francis Muzzey, Ellie  
Murray, late entry -Marni Kozak , late entry-Deb  
Gelsi

**Teachers Present:** none

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to open public session at 5:06 p.m. seconded by  
Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Agenda Review and Disposition:** Under Correspondence added Audit Report to  
be signed.

**Minutes of June 11, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Ms. Sullivan made a motion to  
accept the minutes of June 11, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

**Minutes of June 6, 2012 School Board Meeting:** Ms. Sullivan made a motion to  
accept the minutes of June 6, 2012, seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

## **Discussion Items-**

- 1.** Visitors Policy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - After discussion revisions will be made and electronic vote will be made by the School Board.
- 2.** Food Service Charge Policy – Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the Food Service No-Charge Policy, as amended. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.
- 3.** FY 2011/2012 Budget – Ms. Sullivan made a motion to encumber \$20,000 to replace window at front office, upgrade classroom #4, cooling system upgrade in the server room, remaining funds to be used for anticipated increase in special education costs. Seconded by Mrs. Mr. Davis not present
- 4.** Other Business – None

**Correspondence** - Audit Report – signed by the board.

**Privilege of the Floor** – Marni Kozak asked about a new family moving to Wentworth and whether or not they have registered to attend Wentworth Elementary School. Mrs. Kozak also suggested that \$600.00 the encumbered funds be used for the bus for transportation for the winter program and would like to see the web page updated. Mr. Charpentier reported that the school now has a new web page. Mrs. Kozak also suggested the possibility of hiring a part time teacher for 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade reading and math.

Deb Gelsi- Wondering if there would be additional staffing needs if a new family registered at WES. No contact has been made to WES yet. Ms. Gelsi asked if above policies were approved. She was updated by the board on the matters.

**Claims and Payroll** – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 5:55 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session and adjourn at 6:21 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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