

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES – Approved

**Board Members Present:**

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| Don O'Day        | Chair      |
| James Marpe      | Vice Chair |
| Sandy DeFelice   |            |
| Elaine Whitney   |            |
| Michael McGovern |            |

**Administrators Present:**

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| Elliott Landon    | Superintendent of Schools       |
| Nancy Harris      | Asst. Superintendent Business   |
| Brian Fagan       | Asst. Superintendent Curriculum |
| Marge Cion        | Director of Human Resources     |
| Cynthia Gilchrest | Director of Pupil Services      |

**Board Members Absent:** Faith Taylor  
Mark Mathias

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** 7:40 p.m. in the Staples High School cafeteria.

**PRESENTATION:** Recommendations Emanating from the Spring 2009 Special Education Parent and Staff Survey (Special Education Task Force members Ms. Gilchrest, Dr. Barbara Fischetti, Dr. Wendy Sobelman, parents Lynn Sellon and Marina Derman )

**DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

Acceptance of Gift:

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation the gift of a temporary scorer's shed from the Staples Field Hockey Booster Club valued at \$25,000, said shed to be installed at the Ginny Parker Field in time for use during the 2010-11 Field Hockey season.

**MOTION:** James Marpe  
**SECOND:** Michael McGovern  
**RESULT:** Passed  
**VOTE:** 4 in favor, 1 recused (Elaine Whitney recused herself due to her position as a member of the Field Hockey Board)

Education Cost Sharing (ECS) Revenue: Creation of Holding Account for the Town of Westport:

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the creation of "holding accounts" for a sum equal to 14% of the 2010-11 ECS grant (ARRA stabilization – Education Grants), with the funds in those holding accounts to be transferred to the Town of Westport as part of the closing of accounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

**MOTION:** Elaine Whitney  
**SECOND:** Michael McGovern  
**RESULT:** Passed  
**VOTE:** Unanimous

Approval of Contract with Custodians dated July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the collective bargaining agreement between the Westport Board of Education and the National Association of Government Employees, representing the custodians employed by the Westport Public Schools, for the period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2010.

**MOTION: Michael McGovern**  
**SECOND: Sandy DeFelice**  
**RESULT: Passed**  
**VOTE: Unanimous**

**DISCUSSION:**

Amendment to Board Policy 5111 Eligibility of Students to Attend the Westport Public Schools;  
School System Goals: July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Faith Taylor, Secretary  
(Minutes written by Jennifer Robson)