

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES – Approved

Board Members Present:

Don'O'Day	Chair
James Marpe	Vice Chair
Faith Taylor	Secretary
Sandy DeFelice	
Mark Mathias	
Elaine Whitney	
Michael McGovern	

Administrators Present:

Elliott Landon	Superintendent of Schools
Nancy Harris	Asst. Superintendent Business
Brian Fagan	Asst. Superintendent Curriculum
Marge Cion	Director of Human Resources

PUBLIC CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Staples High School Principal's Conference Room

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:45 p.m. Don O'Day motioned and was seconded by Faith Taylor to go into executive session to discuss Strategies for Negotiations. Dr. Landon, Ms. Harris and Ms. Cion joined the executive session at the invitation of the Board. The executive session ended at 7:35 p.m. All BOE members were present at the executive session.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION: 7:40 p.m. in the Staples High School cafeteria.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

1. Proposed termination of the teaching contract of Lisa Fancher:

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, in accordance with the Teacher Tenure Act, terminates the employment of Ms. Lisa Fancher with the Westport Public Schools effective May 27, 2010 for reasons related to inefficiency or incompetence, insubordination against the reasonable rules of the Board, and other due and sufficient cause.

MOTION: James Marpe
SECOND: Faith Taylor
RESULT: Passed
VOTE: Unanimous

2. Budget Reductions to Board of Education's Proposed Budget for 2010-11 School Year:

Out of Dr. Landon's recommended cut list, it was agreed that \$4,500 for an intercom and \$17,500 for duct work and mounting structure, both at Greens Farms School, and \$9,300 for fire door closures at Staples would not be cut. Rather, the board relies on Dr. Landon to take a sum equal to those expenses from "Supplies" and "Equipment".

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes reductions to its proposed 2010-11 budget in the amount of \$500,000, amended and changed by \$31,300, as shown on the document entitled "Superintendent's Recommended 2010-11 Budget Reductions as a Result of BOF/RTM Reduction" that is appended to the Minutes of the Meeting of May 25, 2010.

MOTION: Don O'Day
SECOND: James Marpe
RESULT: Passed
VOTE: Yes – O'Day, Marpe, Mathias, DeFelice, Whitney, McGovern
No - Taylor

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Faith Taylor, Secretary
(Minutes written by Jennifer Robson)