

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Regular Meeting Monday, December 12, 2005

Executive Session

Library

Central Tree Middle School, Rutland

Committee Members Present:

Alice Livdahl, Chair

Cynthia Ahearn

Elizabeth Brennan

Robert Carter

Shirley Conrad

Mark James

Mary Catherine Maher

Kelly Maxwell

Judith Newton

John Nunnari

Norman Plourde

Kathleen Sweeney

Tammy Tod

Margaret Watson

Committee Members Absent:

Michael Sherman, Vice-Chair

Cynthia Bazinet

Charles Capparelli

David Gibbs

Phillip Mighdoll

Cheryl Rauh

Others present: Dr. Thomas Pandiscio

Chair Alice Livdahl called the executive session to order at 10:10 PM and explained that the purpose of the executive session was to approve executive session minutes.

Corrections were made to the minutes of November 7, 2005 to reflect: a 6% increase over three years rather than "2% 2% 2%"; that Kenneth O'Brien is a voting member for collective bargaining matters; and that Kelly Maxwell voted against the motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

Motion: To accept the minutes of November 7, 2005 as corrected not to be released.

(M. James)
(R. Carter)

Roll call vote

In favor:

Alice Livdahl, Chair
Cynthia Ahearn
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
Shirley Conrad
Mark James
Kelly Maxwell
Judith Newton
John Nunnari
Kathleen Sweeney
Tammy Tod
Margaret Watson

Abstained:

Mary Catherine Maher
Norman Plourde

Chair Livdahl reminded the Committee that the tally sheet to the July 27, 2005 minutes had been lost and that Attorney McCabe advised that the minutes should be reconstructed as accurately as possible. Chair Livdahl, who had taken the minutes (but not the tallies) on July 27, 2005, explained that she had noted that the first two motions (dealing with Dr. Pandiscio's contract) had carried unanimously, as had the motion to adjourn, so the roll call list could be filled in for these two votes. She had also noted that the motion to accept Dr. Tutela's proposed severance agreement had failed. Member Maher recalled that she voted "no" on the motion to have Attorney McCabe respond to the severance offer. It was agreed that note would be made of the lost tally sheet and that these minutes were defective.

Motion: To accept as corrected and as defective the executive session minutes of July 27, 2005, not to be released.

(M. James)
(C. Ahearn)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Alice Livdahl, Chair
Cynthia Ahearn
Robert Carter
Shirley Conrad
Mark James
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Judith Newton
John Nunnari
Kathleen Sweeney
Tammy Tod

Opposed:

Margaret Watson

Abstained:

Elizabeth Brennan
Norman Plourde

(Motion passed 11-1-2)

Minutes of December 5, 2005 were presented for approval. Discussion occurred as to whether the vote on page 5 should be recorded as “carried” rather than a “failed” because the vote (7 in favor, 6 opposed and 2 abstained) had more favoring than opposed.

Member Sweeney left the meeting at 10:40PM.

Motion: To accept as corrected the minutes of the executive session of December 5, 2005, not to be released.

Roll call vote

In favor:

Alice Livdahl, Chair
Cynthia Ahearn
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
Shirley Conrad

Mark James
Mary Catherine Maher
Judith Newton
John Nunnari
Tammy Tod
Margaret Watson

Opposed:
None

Abstained:
Kelly Maxwell
Norman Plourde

(Motion passed 11-0-2)

Motion: To adjourn.

(J. Newton)
(E. Brennan)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Alice Livdahl, Chair
Cynthia Ahearn
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
Shirley Conrad
Mark James
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Judith Newton
John Nunnari
Norman Plourde
Tammy Tod
Margaret Watson

Opposed:
None

(Motion passed unanimously)

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Alice Livdahl
Acting Secretary