

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Executive Session, Monday, February 23, 2004  
9:30 PM

Modular Cafeteria  
Wachusett Regional High School

*Committee Members Present:*

Duncan Leith, Chair	Alice Livdahl
Natalie Mello, Vice-chair	John Nunnari
Donald Benson	Norman Plourde
Elizabeth Brennan	Julie Scott
Charles Capparelli	Michael Sherman
Clifford Connell	Tammy Tod
Mark James	Margaret Watson
John Kane	Patricia Young

*Committee Members Absent:*

David Dickman	René Rodriguez
Patricia Gates	

*No Administration Present*

Chair Duncan Leith called the executive session to order at 9:30 PM.  
The Chair asked Vice-chair Mello to act as secretary for the remainder of the meeting.

A discussion commenced regarding Superintendent Tutela's request for a one-year extension to his current contract and his desire to move his benefits that currently count towards retirement into his salary in anticipation of the Governor's proposal in House Bill 1.

Motion: To extend the meeting by fifteen minutes

(N. Mello)  
(M. Sherman)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith  
Natalie Mello  
Donald Benson  
Elizabeth Brennan  
Charles Capparelli  
Clifford Connell  
Mark James  
John Kane  
Alice Livdahl  
John Nunnari  
Norman Plourde  
Julie Scott  
Michael Sherman  
Tammy Tod  
Margaret Watson  
Patricia Young

Opposed:

None

(Motion passed unanimously)

Motion: To refer the Superintendent's request to change and extend his contract to the Management Subcommittee for review and analysis. The Subcommittee shall report back to the full Committee with a recommendation by April 1, 2004.

(N. Mello)

(A. Livdahl)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith  
Natalie Mello  
Donald Benson  
Elizabeth Brennan  
Charles Capparelli  
Clifford Connell  
Mark James  
John Kane  
Alice Livdahl  
John Nunnari  
Norman Plourde  
Julie Scott

Tammy Tod  
Margaret Watson  
Patricia Young

Opposed:  
Michael Sherman

(Motion passed 15-1)

QUESTIONS WERE RAISED ABOUT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT OBLIGATIONS REGARDING PERSONAL MEAL REIMBURSEMENTS. IT WAS RECOMMENDED TO DEFER ALL DISCUSSION TO THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED WRSDC MEETING. NO MOTION WAS MADE.

Motion: To adjourn

(N. Mello)  
(J. Scott)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith  
Natalie Mello  
Donald Benson  
Elizabeth Brennan  
Charles Capparelli  
Clifford Connell  
Mark James  
John Kane  
Alice Livdahl  
John Nunnari  
Norman Plourde  
Julie Scott  
Michael Sherman  
Tammy Tod  
Margaret Watson  
Patricia Young

Opposed:  
None

(Motion passed unanimously)

The Committee adjourned at 10:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie A. Mello  
Acting Secretary

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