

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HOLDEN ♦ PAXTON ♦ PRINCETON ♦ RUTLAND ♦ STERLING

Minutes

Special Meeting #259 Wednesday, April 6, 2005
6:00 PM

Curriculum Center
District Central Office

Committee Members Present:

Duncan Leith, Chair	John Kane
John Nunnari, Vice-chair	Mary Catherine Maher
Cynthia Bazinet	Kelly Maxwell
Elizabeth Brennan	Phillip Mighdoll
Robert Carter	Norman Plourde
David Gibbs	Michael Sherman
Mark James	Margaret Watson

Committee Members Absent:

Charles Capparelli	Natalie Mello
Patricia Gates	Cheryl Rauh
Alice Livdahl	

Administration Present:

Alfred D. Tutela, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools
Steven Penka, Director of Administrative Services

I. Call to Order

Chair Duncan Leith called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

II. Executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with non-union personnel.

Motion: To enter executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with non-union personnel, to return to public session.

(M. James)
(D. Gibbs)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith
John Nunnari
Cynthia Bazinet
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
David Gibbs
Mark James
John Kane
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Phillip Mighdoll
Norman Plourde
Michael Sherman
Margaret Watson

Opposed:

None

(Motion passed unanimously)

The Committee entered executive session at 6:05 PM.

The Committee returned to public session at 7:40 PM. Superintendent Alfred D. Tutela left the meeting.

III. Meeting with New England School Development Council (NESDEC)
Regarding Superintendent Search Process

Director of Administrative Services Steven Penka introduced Dr. William Zimmerman from the New England School Development Council (NESDEC). Director Penka left the meeting.

Dr. Zimmerman provided the Committee with initial plans and outline for establishing a search process for a new superintendent and distributed a brochure for the Committee's review (attachment 1).

Motion: To establish the formation of a Superintendent Search Committee not to exceed nine School Committee Members with at least one School Committee Member from each Member Town. The Chair of the Wachusett Regional School Committee shall appoint membership of this Search Committee.

(J. Kane)
(M. Watson)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith
John Nunnari
Cynthia Bazinet
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
David Gibbs
Mark James
John Kane
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Phillip Mighdoll
Norman Plourde
Michael Sherman
Margaret Watson

Opposed:

None

(Motion passed unanimously)

Motion: To set the base salary range for the new Superintendent's position at \$150,000-\$175,000 per year.

(M. Sherman)
(E. Brennan)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith
Cynthia Bazinet
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
David Gibbs
Mark James
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Phillip Mighdoll
Norman Plourde
Michael Sherman

Margaret Watson
Opposed:
John Nunnari
John Kane

(Motion passed 12-2)

Member David Gibbs left the meeting at 8:35 PM.

IV. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn

(M. James)
(J. Nunnari)

Vote:

In favor:

Duncan Leith
John Nunnari
Cynthia Bazinet
Elizabeth Brennan
Robert Carter
Mark James
John Kane
Mary Catherine Maher
Kelly Maxwell
Phillip Mighdoll
Norman Plourde
Michael Sherman
Margaret Watson

Opposed:

None

(Motion passed unanimously)

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Nunnari
Acting Secretary