

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HOLDEN ♦ PAXTON ♦ PRINCETON ♦ RUTLAND ♦ STERLING

Minutes

Annual Budget Hearing

Monday, March 22, 2010

7:00 PM

Media Center

Wachusett Regional High School

*Committee Members Present:*

Margaret Watson, Chair	Stacey Jackson
John Nunnari, Vice-chair	Julianne Kelley
Cynthia Bazinet	Duncan Leith
Robert Carter	Michael Pantos
Colleen Cipro	Norman Plourde
William Clute	Michelle Sciabarrasi
Shirley Conrad	Joseph Sova
Kristine Goodwin	Kori Stuart
Steven Hammond	Dawn Torres-Gale
Robert Imber	

*Committee Members Absent:*

Robert Pelczarski

*Administration Present:*

Thomas G. Pandiscio, Superintendent of Schools  
John Locke, Deputy Superintendent  
Darryll McCall, Director of Operations  
Susan Sullivan, Director of Human Resources  
Peter Brennan, Business Manager  
Rebecca Petersen, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

*Student Representatives Present:*

Leanne Becker  
Katie Carlson  
Greg Savageau

*Others present, who desired to be recorded as present (see attached Attendance Sheet – attachment 1).*

I. Call to Order

Chair Watson called the Annual Budget Hearing to order at 7:04 PM. She noted that the meeting was being taped, although not live and microphones were not in use.

II. Presentation of the *Proposed FY11 Appropriation*

Chair Watson turned the meeting over to Superintendent Pandiscio. Members were provided with a hardcopy of the PowerPoint presentation that the Superintendent spoke to (attachment 2). Members were also given copies of *WRSD Revenue and Assessment History* and the *Proposed FY11 Appropriation 03.22.10* (attachments 3 & 4). Superintendent Pandiscio called members' attention to attachments 5 and 6 of his March 18, 2010 Superintendent's Report, *Proposed FY11 Appropriation 03.15.10 – Showing Impact of ARRA/SFSF on FY10 Appropriation* and the *FY11 Budget Narrative March 22, 2010* (attachments 5 & 6). Superintendent Pandiscio explained that the budget prepared for FY11 is the tightest budget he has worked on in his tenure as Superintendent and this proposal will be a stretch for the District. The Superintendent's address concluded at 7:31 PM.

Chair Watson advised the School Committee that they would be given the opportunity to ask questions about the *Proposed FY11 Appropriation* before taking a vote during the regular School Committee meeting which will take place upon adjournment of the Annual Budget Hearing.

III. Public Hearing

Chair Watson then invited members of the public to address the School Committee.

Holden Town Manager Nancy Galkowski introduced herself to the Committee.

IV. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the Annual Budget Hearing.

(M. Pantos)  
(J. Sova)

Roll call vote:

*In favor:*

Margaret Watson  
John Nunnari  
Cynthia Bazinet  
Robert Carter  
Colleen Cipro  
William Clute  
Shirley Conrad

Kristine Goodwin  
Steven Hammond  
Robert Imber  
Stacey Jackson  
Julianne Kelley  
Duncan Leith  
Michael Pantos  
Norman Plourde  
Michelle Sciabarrasi  
Joseph Sova  
Kori Stuart  
Dawn Torres-Gale

*Opposed:*  
None

(The motion passed unanimously)

The Annual Budget Hearing adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas G. Pandiscio, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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