

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minutes

Executive Session
Monday, August 13, 2007

Cafeteria
Davis Hill Elementary School

Committee Members Present:

Margaret Watson, Chair	Julianne Kelley
Cynthia Bazinet, Vice-chair	Judith Newton
Thomas Ackerman	John Nunnari
Robert Carter	Norman Plourde
Colleen Cipro	Joseph Sova
Melinda Coyle	Kathleen Sweeney
Mark James	Marcie Zaharee

Committee Members Absent:

Cynthia Ahearn	Robert Imber
Shirley Conrad	Duncan Leith
Steven Hammond	Michael Sherman

Administration Present:

Thomas G. Pandiscio, Superintendent of Schools
Rebecca Petersen, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

Chair Watson called the executive session of the School Committee to order at 8:35 PM.

Chair Watson turned the meeting over to Superintendent Pandiscio.

Superintendent Pandiscio first addressed the motion concerning his contract made in the regular meeting.

The second topic of discussion concerned the stalled negotiations with the Wachusett Nurses Association. The matter was discussed in general and the Superintendent assured the School Committee that he is anxious to get back to the bargaining table with this union.

The final matter for discussion concerned the high school project. The Superintendent explained the contractor is bringing the District to arbitration. He further explained that previous settlement language was in the approximate amount of \$1.8 million; settlement language is now in the approximate amount of \$4. million. The Superintendent explained the term "liquidated damages" and told the School Committee that Estimating Services and Scheduling and Claim Analysis Services are being rendered by URS personnel and

reports should be forthcoming shortly. The next Building Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 22, 2007.

Discussion of the status of the high school project followed.

Motion: To adjourn.

(M. James)
(K. Sweeney)

Roll call vote:

In favor:

Margaret Watson
Cynthia Bazinet
Thomas Ackerman
Robert Carter
Melinda Coyle
Colleen Cipro
Mark James
Julianne Kelley
Judith Newton
John Nunnari
Norman Plourde
Joseph Sova
Kathleen Sweeney
Marcie Zaharee

Opposed:

None

(Motion passed unanimously)

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

TGP:rlp