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**Wentworth School Board
Minutes of November 9, 2009
Wentworth Elementary School**

Board Members Present: Lee Morrison, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Dr. Ethel Gaides, Mr. Keith Charpentier

Public Present: Tanya O'Brien

Meeting was called to order at 6:10

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted.

Minutes of October 19, 2009 School Board Meeting: Bernice Sullivan moved, seconded by Kathleen Mack to accept the minutes of October 19, 2009. The vote was unanimous.

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Principals School Board Report
November 9, 2009

The students, staff and community reached their goal in collecting 250+ non-perishable food items for the Warren / Wentworth food bank. As a result the students have earned their pizza party. Thank - you to everyone for all their support.

On November 2nd a member of the NHHEAF (New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation) gave a presentation to grades 5 – 8 about college and why it's important to begin thinking about higher education now. This was an interactive presentation.

Our banner for the Learning School Alliance has arrived. The next step is to make arrangements to hopefully have the Commissioner of Education as well as the Governor come to visit our school and present the banner.

Save the dates:

Nov. 1st Daylight Savings

Nov.9th School Board meeting @6:00pm

Nov.10th Thanksgiving lunch 11:30 @ WES

Nov. 11th No School Veterans day

Nov.20th Thanksgiving bake sales for yearbook 4:00 -7:00pm @ Wentworth Town Hall

Nov.25th First Trimester ends

Nov. 25th ½ day of school

Nov.26th & 27th Thanksgiving Break

Kudos'

To Mrs. Heather Clark who has done a terrific job organizing lesson plans as well as delivering those lessons plans while Mr. Blake recovers from his accident. Thank You so much. Also to Mr. Nick Gagnon for taking on some extra duties while Mr. Blake is recovering. Last but not least to the 7th & 8th grade classes for being the dedicated students they are.

To the student counsel and their advisors (Mrs. Clark & Mrs. Cormier) as well as others for a great Haunted Hallway and Halloween party. It was a fun time for all in attendance.

In advance to Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Ray, for the extra time preparing the Thanksgiving meal. To Mrs. Clark for helping to serve the meals, to grades 1-6 for the decorations and invitations and last but not least to the 7th & 8th grades for the serving and clean up. Great job everyone.

To Mrs. Toomey, (class advisor) and the 8th grade class for a nice carnival. This was a fundraiser for the end of the year class trip. It was a very good turnout.

Correspondence - none

Discussion Items- The School Board reviewed the first rough draft of proposed budget and discussed the possibility of raising the current rate for substitutes. And debated the pros and cons of full time kindergarten vs. afternoon preschool. The School Board would like to have Special Education Director, Fran Gonsalves at the December meeting to discuss the preschool budget. The Board also requested that the snow plowing and sanding of the grounds go out to bid.

Learning School Alliance update from Mr. Charpentier showed the Board the banner that has been received. It is still undecided where to hang it. Lee will call Representative Ray Burton invite him for a Learning School Alliance Banner Ceremony.

Mr. Charpentier shared with the board the results of the surveys that went home with all students. He state the half of the surveys that went out were returned with positive results.

Privilege of the Floor – none

On a Motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board unanimously voted to enter Non- Public Session at 7:15.

On a motion by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to end Non-Public at 8:30 and adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany A. LaPointe
School Board Secretary