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Wentworth School Board Minutes of September 10, 2012 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack at 5:19 p.m.

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Paula Davis, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray, Karla

Chierichetti, Deb Gelsi, Joyce Morrison, Kimberlea Wheeler,

Edward Crane, Holly Bukor

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn

Mr. Davis made a motion to open public session at 5:07 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Under discussion Items add Student Population to be discussed.

Minutes of July 16, 2012 School Board Meeting: Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of July 16, 2012, as amended, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Minutes of August 1, 2012 School Board Meeting: Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of June 6, 2012, seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Principal's Report- Opening day went very smoothly. The student population to start the year is 63. The building looks great and in very good shape. The faculty and staff are upbeat and rearing to go.

Mr. Dan Medaglia will be returning this year as our soccer coach. Practices will start on Monday Aug 27th. First Game is Sept. 10th @ Russell Elementary School.

I would like to welcome the following new staff to the WES family:

Ms. Veronica King -Kindergarten para-educator

Ms. Sarah Byers 5th-8th grade -para-educator

Mrs. Erica Wilson -Technology integrator

Ms. Dolly Lewis -Cook

Mrs. Christine Crane -School nurse

SAVE THE DATES:

August 23rd First day of school for the 2012-2013 year.

August 31st No School

September 3rd No School Labor Day

September 5th Open House 6:00 to 7:00 pm

September 5th NWEA testing window opens

September 10th School Board meeting @ 5:00pm

September 11th No School NH Primary, Teacher in-service day

September 21st Highland Games field trip (grades 4-5 &6)

October 1st NECAP testing window opens

October 2nd School Picture day

October 8th No School Columbus Day

October 16th & 17th AMC overnight field trip (7th & 8th grade)

KUDOS'

To Mr. Richard Young for all his hard work getting the building ready for opening day. Thank you

To the WES faculty & staff for all your support in making the first days of school go so well. Nice job

To Maria Young, without all your support and energy this school would not function as well as it does. Thank you so much.

To All the members of the WES Learning Community together we all make a great team. Your hard work, dedication to your craft and love of the children in your care shows every day. You're the best.

Discussion Items-

1. New Student Population:

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Kindergarten -
                          8 students
                                                      2<sup>nd</sup> Grade-
1<sup>st</sup> Grade-
                          9 students
                                                                                  3 students
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade-
                                                      4<sup>th</sup> Grade-
                          3 students
                                                                                  13 students
                                                      6<sup>th</sup> Grade-
5<sup>th</sup> Grade-
                          6 students
                                                                                 9 students
7<sup>th</sup> Grade-
                                                      8<sup>th</sup> Grade-
                          6 students
                                                                                 6 students
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- 2. Visitor Policy The school Board reaffirmed the electronic vote of the Wentworth School District Visitor Policy. Discussion ensued at great length with many opinions on various aspects of the policy.
- 3. Other Business None

Privilege of the Floor — Carla Chierichetti asked if the school would be doing a school play this year. Mr. Charpentier stated probably not because there is not anyone available with the time. Parents could put on a play if there was desire. It was requested to put the information in the newsletter to spread the word to parents who might wish to volunteer.

Francis Muzzey- States that after nonpublic meeting last month he asked to see the checks. While inspecting the checks he noticed one written in excess of \$2,000.00 to the NH School Board Assn. Mrs. Mack pointed out that when it was brought to the School Boards' attention they did thank him for noticing.

Deb Gelsi questioned the increase in school lunch combined with smaller portions. It was explained to her that the State sets the prices for school lunch as well as portion size. It was also noted that WES lunch is made based on children's requests for that day and told that it if available children may get seconds. Mrs. Sanborn did also note that children may not always choose all of the food selections available to them on that day and Mr. Charpentier shared that children also get the fresh fruits and vegetable at snack time every day. Ms. Gelsi also asked what the stipend for Mr. Charpentier was for. The board noted that it was in lieu of a raise.

Edward Crane asked if the school can anticipated budget changes based on children that are coded. Mr. Charpentier explained that this is what happens once a child is enrolled and coded for future attendance. Mr. Crane also inquired about PTO and his interest in playing a roll if it could be recreated. After open discussion and other parents will to see it come back, it was decided to put information into the newsletter in order to reach out to other parents.

Mr. Muzzey noted that anticipated deficit is unable to diagnose in advance and the borrowing money cannot be done. Instead the deficits get documented and ask for a deficit appropriation.

Correspondence – Contract for Pediatric Services and 2011/2012 year end financial reports signed by the board.

Claims and Payroll – claims and payroll signed by the board.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 6:25 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Ms. Gelsi addressed the school board by stating that the $5^{th}/6^{th}$ grade configuration is working well and that her daughter is doing sensational. The addition of para-educators is helpful and that Mr. Gagnon and Mr. Blake are fantastic.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn at 6:37 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Kathleen Mack, seconded by Bernie Sullivan. Both board members were in favor.

Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Bernie Sullivan to go into nonpublic session at 9:05 a.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 for the purpose of personnel. Both board members were in favor. Steven Davis joined non-public by speaker phone at 10:00 a.m.

Kathleen Mack made a motion to end nonpublic session at 11:05 a.m. seconded by Bernice Sullivan. Both board members were in favor.

No action was taken in non-public session.

Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Bernice Sullivan to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Both board members were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

Wentworth School Board Minutes of September 18, 2012 Wentworth Elementary School

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Steve Davis seconded by Bernie Sullivan. All were in favor.

Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to go into nonpublic session at 5:05 p.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 for the purpose of personnel. All were in favor.

Kathleen Mack made a motion to end nonpublic session at 5:40 p.m. seconded by Bernice Sullivan. All were in favor.

It was moved by Bernice Sullivan and seconded by Steve Davis to use the Title I money to create classroom teacher support for grade 5 students in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics. Sara Byers would provide Title I Mathematics support with grade 5 students. Erika Clark would provide Title I English Language Arts support with grade 5 students. All were in favor.

There will be an informational meeting for grades 5-8 parents on Thursday, September 20, 2012 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Wentworth Elementary School for discussion on teacher re-assignments. Parents will be notified by letter of the meeting. The meeting will be posted.

Kathleen Mack made a motion, seconded by Steve Davis to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

Wentworth School Board Minutes of September 20, 2012 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

Administration Present: Keith Charpentier, Ethel Gaides

Public Present: Nine parents

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Steve Davis seconded by Bernie Sullivan. All were in favor. The purpose of the meeting was to inform and discuss with parents teacher re-assignments for grades 5-8. A discussion ensued regarding the use of Title I money to create classroom teacher support for grade 5 students in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics. Sara Byers would provide Title I Mathematics support with grade 5 students. Erika Clark would provide Title I English Language Arts support with grade 5 students.

Parents asked about certification requirements for teachers in grades 5-8. Ethel Gaides explained that the teachers being hired with Title I funds in grade 5 are certified as K-6 teachers. Teacher requirements for grades 7 and 8 are subject specific with Middle School or grades 7-12 certification required in the subject area.

Parents expressed their concern that a divider was needed to separate the grades 5/6 classroom. They asked the school board to check to see if a divider (not being utilized) in any of SAU #48 schools may be available that Wentworth could have for the grades 5/6 classroom. It was suggested that a warrant article be included in the 2013-2014 school district budget for a divider if no divider can be located for Wentworth.

Parents expressed their concern that there is no formal spelling program in grade 6. Parents wanted the school board to consider an after school homework program. They mentioned the grant that Warren Elementary School received for an after school program. It was suggested that a warrant article be included in the 2013-2014 school district budget for an after school homework program.

Steve Davis made a motion, seconded by Bernie Sullivan to adjourn at 6:18 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted.

Ethel Gaides, Assistant Superintendent

Wentworth School Board Minutes of October 15, 2012 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray, Marni

Kozak, Angela Kenneson-Comeau

Teachers Present: none

Mr. Davis made a motion to open public session at 5:02 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted

Minutes of September 10, 2012 School Board Meeting: Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of September 10, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Minutes of September 11, 2012 School Board Meeting: Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of September 11, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Minutes of September 18, 2012 School Board Meeting: Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of September 18, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Minutes of September 20, 2012 School Board Meeting: Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the minutes of September 20, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Principal's Report- Mr. Charpentier introduced Erika Wilson, Technology Integrator. Ms. Wilson demonstrated the integration of technology and the Constitution of the United States.

On Friday September 21st grades 4,5, & 6 had a great day @ the Scottish Highland Games. This cultural event has brought many wonderful experiences to our students.

Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd headed off to Windy Ridge on Monday September 24th for a day at the orchard. After returning to school students pressed and made apply cider and apply crisp from what they picked.

The 3rd grade class made dog and cat treats and collected items for the NH Humane Society, which they then made a visit on Thursday October 4th.

The soccer teams final season record stands @ 2 wins and 6losses. It has been a joy watching the team compete.

The student counsel held elections for the 2012 – 2013 school year. Election results are as follows:

President Brice Chierichetti
Vice President Carly Merluzzi
Secretary Stephen Davis
Treasurer Rebekah Crane
5th Grade Rep. Darren Pratt
6th grade Rep. Grace Comeau
7th grade Rep. Isaiah Crane

NECAP Testing is complete. The results from these tests will be shared sometime in the spring. The goal is for WES to continue making AYP.

SAVE THE DATES:

October 1st NECAP testing window opens

October 2nd School Picture day

October 5th first trimester progress reports go home

October 8th No School Columbus Day

October 16th & 17th AMC over night field trip (7th & 8th grade)

October 22nd - 26th Red Ribbon Week

November 12th No School Veterans Day

November 13th King Arthur flour presentation for grades 4th – 7th

November 15th Community Thanksgiving lunch

November 21st ½ day of school/ First trimester ends

November 22rd & 23rd Thanksgiving break

November 30th First trimester report cards go home.

December 5th Holiday concert

KUDOS'

To the teachers, para- professionals in grade 3 -8 and Ms. Tessa Morphis. The extra time and effort you put into preparing our students for the NECAP test did not go un-noticed.

To Ms. Sarah Byers & Ms. Erika Clark for all the skills and energy they have brought to their new teaching assignments. You are doing a wonderful job.

To Coach Dan and the soccer team.

Discussion Items-

- 1. Memo of Understanding- Between Wentworth Police Department and Wentworth Elementary School. Dr. Gaides will present to Wentwoth Police Chief and bring forward to the board at next meeting.
- **2. Anti-Harassment Policy** Will be discussed at next month's meeting.

- **3. Review Purchasing Policy** Current policy has a threshold of \$ 1,000.00 . Will be discussed further next month.
- **4. Transportation Contract-** School board is requesting that transportation go through the bidding process.

5. Other Business- None

Privilege of the Floor -

Marni Kozak – feels the 3rd/4th teacher is overwhelmed and requests another teacher be added for this class. Feels that some students were left out of the newsletter in regards to kudos for students who participate in athletics outside of WES. Mr. Muzzey feels that Mr. Charpentier is responsible for WES only. Mrs. Kozak feels that too much time is being spent on the Guidance Subject. Inquired about ski program will be on Fridays.

Window replace in office where did that money come from- grant money

Francis Muzzey – Stated that he believes that the length of contract the bus company requests is for the purpose of knowing how long they will be doing it. He also noted that he believes that class size limitation in high school is different than that of an elementary school.

Mr. Muzzey asked what the SAU has done in order to assure that checks are not written for accounts that do not exist without board approval.

Mrs. Kozak – suggests an article be written for the district meeting to put in protection in the event that grant monies are received and used that unused money in the same line item still be used for the school.

Mr. Muzzey asked Dr. Gaides to provide RSA that states the public is not privileged to see a teacher's or paraprofessional's paycheck.

Consent Items -

1. Claims and payroll signed by the board

There is disagreement as to payment of attorney's fees.

2. Correspondence-

Dr. Gaides distributed to the board the Restraint Use Policy for review to prepare for discussion at next meeting.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 6:20 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Ms. Davis made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session at 6:3 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

The following decisions were made:

After examination of claims and payroll by the school board, a check was voided. Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the request of Erica Wilson to continue her position as technology integrator, but allow the temporary leave for the library aide position, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close public session and adjourn at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of November 26, 2012 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Kathleen Springham Mack, Bernice

Sullivan at 5:35

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Deb Gelsi, Marni Kozak, Joyce A.

Morrison, Marni Kozak, Melissa Farrell

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn, Sarah Cormiea

Mr. Davis made a motion to enter into non- public session at 5:10 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Strike Claims and Payroll from agenda as it was done electronically. Mr. Davis made a motion to remove privilege of the floor. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Minutes of October 15, 2012 School Board Meeting: Tabled until next month

Principal's Report: This has been a very busy month at the school. We finished up NEACP testing, the AMC trip was outstanding, we had a visit from a West Point graduate, a presentation on drug and alcohol awareness for the whole school by the CADY organization, several visits from local safety personnel to celebrate safety month, King Arthur flour with their life skills program, a trip to Russell

Elementary School for a presentation by Iberdrola the company who are building the Windmill farm as well as a presentation from NH Electric COOP.

The school met the goal of 250 non-perishable food items that was donated to the Warren / Wentworth food pantry. Nice job everyone. Along with this, students baked & donated 28 loaves of bread after King Arthur flour came to the school.

The basketball season is underway. The coaches this year are Mr. Gagnon for boys' basketball & Mr. Crane for the girls. Should be an exciting season. 1st game of the season is Nov. 28th.

Our community Thanksgiving lunch was well attended. (150 meals) Everyone in attendance was treated to a very tasty meal.

SAVE THE DATES:

November 6th No School Voting Day

November 12th No School Veterans Day

November 13th King Arthur flour presentation for grades 4th – 7th

November 15th Community Thanksgiving lunch

November 21st ½ day of school/ First trimester ends

November 22rd & 23rd Thanksgiving break

November 30th First trimester report cards go home.

December 6th Holiday concert

December 10th school board meeting @ 5:00pm

December 24th – January 1st Christmas break

KUDOS'

To Chief Jeff Ames, Chief Kevin Kay and Officer Hutchins for having us visit the fire station and talking to our students about fire safety and being safe.

To Jamie & Tonya from the Warren / Wentworth Ambulance service for their visit to the school.

To Officer Tim Clark a (Wentworth resident) and recent Graduate from West Point for his presentation to our students.

To Jennifer Kay for volunteering her time in our library.

To the CADY organization for coming to the school during Red Ribbon Week and providing a well planned program about drug & alcohol awareness.

To Amy Driscoll from King Arthur flour for presenting the Baking Life Skills program.

To Dolly Lewis for all the prep work that went into the Thanksgiving lunch and Heather Clark for assisting in the serving. Also to Kindergarten & 3^{rd} & 4^{th} grade for their wonderful decorations. 1st & 2^{nd} grade for the invitations, as well as 7^{th} & 8^{th} grade for set-up, clean up and serving, Nice job everyone.

To Master Guy Brochu and his students from Blue Wave TKD for all his (and their) time working with our 3rd -8th grade students during PE classes in the month of November.

To all the families who made bread as well as donated can goods for the food pantry. What a nice way to give back to the community.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the principal's report. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

- **1. Memo of Understanding-** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Memorandum. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.
- 2. Anti-Harassment Policy 2nd reading next month.
- 3. Use of Restraints Policy tabled until next month
- **4. Review Purchasing Policy –** 2nd reading next month

- **5. Transportation Contract-** Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the bid from Robertson Transit. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.
- **6. Other Business** Lawn maintenance bid accepted by the board. Playground inspection reports that the playground needs mulch for landing padding.
- **7. Budget Draft 2012-2013-** Review and discussion. Review of 2nd Draft of Budget at December 10, 2012 meeting.
- 1. Correspondence- None

Mr. Davis made a motion to end public session at 6:40 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Davis made a motion to enter nonpublic session and enter into public session at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

The following decisions were made:

The board unanimously voted to add a .2 FTE for Physical Education to the 2013-2014 budget.

The board unanimously voted the Keith Charpentier would be a full time Principal in the 2013-2014 budget.

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Kathleen Springham Mack, Bernice

Sullivan

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

Public Present: Kenyon Karl, Joyce Morrison, Palmer Koelb,

Francis Muzzey, Ed Crane

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn

Mrs. Mack made a motion to enter into non- public session at 5:07 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted

Minutes of October 15, 2012 and School Board Meeting: Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of October 15, 2012, seconded by Mr. Davis. Mrs. Mack abstained.

Minutes of November 26, 2012 and School Board Meeting: Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the minutes of October 15, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report: The holiday concert held on Wednesday December 5th was very well attended. Our students & Ms. Hiltz did a wonderful job.

We will be having our winter program this year @ Cannon Mt. This program will begin after our winter break. It will run for 6 weeks on Fridays staring on January 4th.

The new ceiling fan has been installed in the gym. (This is a grant-funded project). The goal of this installment is to circulate the heat and push it down from the ceiling in the winter and pull the heat up and out in the warmer weather.

The basketball season is underway. The records stand as follows:

Boys 1 win 1 loss Girls 1 win 1 loss

SAVE THE DATES:

December 5th Holiday concert

December 10th school board meeting @ 5:00 pm

December 12th Cannon Mt. ski fitting 6:00 – 7:00 pm

December 21st full day of school

December 24th – January 1st Winter Recess

January 18th trimester 2 progress reports go home.

KUDOS'

To Ms. Hiltz for a wonderful Christmas concert as well as the holiday parade in Plymouth.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the principal's report. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

- **1. Privilege of the Floor** Mr. Davis makes a motion to accept the POF Policy as amended, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Davis made a motion that the POF Policy go into effect immediately, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.
- 2. Anti-Harassment Policy 2nd Reading: Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the Anti-Harassment Policy, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.
- **3.** Use of Restraints Policy -2nd Reading: Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the policy as amended, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.
- **4. Review Purchasing Policy** Mrs. Sullivan made a motion to raise the amount in the Purchasing Policy from 1, 000 to 2,500, seconded by Mrs. Mack. Mr. Davis does not approve.
- 5. Review of 2012-2013 Budget-
- 6. OTHER- None

Privilege of the Floor-Mr. Muzzey asked what came of a bill for legal issues that was put on hold 2 months ago. It was reported that it was paid for by the SAU.

Mr. Koelb asked the principle for a brief on the ski program. Mr. Charpentier reported that it is a 6 week program that begins on January 4th. The students will go to Cannon Mtn. and received instruction and return to school by end of school day.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to end public session at 6:10 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to enter nonpublic session at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to come out of nonpublic session and adjourn at 6:31 p.m., seconded by Mr. Davis. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of January 14, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Kathleen Springham Mack, Bernice Sullivan

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray, Marni

Kozak, Deb Gelsi, Joyce Morrison

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn

Ms. Sullivan opened the meeting at 5:09 p.m. The school board entered into Non public session 5:10 p.m. The school board entered into public session at 5:14p.m..

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted

Minutes of December 10, 2012 School Board Meeting: Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the minutes of December 10, 2012, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report-

The National Center on School-wide Inclusive School Reform called the SWIFT Center (School Wide Integrated Framework for Transformation) has nominated Wentworth Elementary School as one of a select group of schools nationwide to become a "Knowledge Development Site (KDS)" on the basis of our success in implementing exemplary inclusive educational practices. A phone interview was

conducted on Jan 2nd. The school will know within the next few weeks if we will move forward on the selection. 64 schools across 18 districts within 4 states will be chosen. I think it is a great honor for our school to be nominated and recognized for all the great teaching and learning we provide our students.

The winter ski program got underway on Friday Jan 4th. As always the first day can be a bit hectic but overall it went very well.

The week of Jan7th -11^{th} the administration went to each grade level and did a presentation on "lock down " procedures. Once this was complete the school conducted a drill to assess the efficiency of the drill. It went very well.

The basketball season is in full swing. These athletes are performing very well together on the court. Their records stand as follows:

Boys 3 win 4losses Girls 1 win 6 losses

SAVE THE DATES:

January 4th first winter activity day

January 14th school board meeting @ 5:00pm

January 18th trimester 2 progress reports go home

January 21st No School Civil Rights Day

January 28th 8th grade move –up night @ PRHS 5:30pm

February 11th Wentworth School Budget Hearing 6:00pm

February 25th – March 1 Winter break

March 9th Wentworth School District Meeting 3:00 pm

March 12th ½ day of school voting @ WES 11:00am – 7:00pm

March 22nd ½ day of school – student led conferences

KUDOS'

To Ms. Erika Clark & Mr. Tristan Blake for the wonderful job they did in organizing the play *A Christmas Carol* just before the break. It was very well done.

To the 7th & 8th grade students in Mr. Blake's and Ms. Clark's class. Your performance and hard work on the play was well done.

To Mrs. Carmelina Fauteux for all the extra time she put into our new school sigh. It looks great.

To Mr. Richard Young, and his son Eric for taking the time to work with the administration in painting the interior hallways and door frames over the break. The building looks wonderful. The last time this was done was 7 years ago.

Discussion Items-

- **1. Evacuation Planning-** Mr. Charpentier will get estimates on shades for windows. Deb Gelsi suggested Closed Circuit television for the outside of the building and a cell phone booster for the inside of the building. The school board is taking under advisement.
- **2. FY 2014 Budget Discussion** –After discussion and adjustments Ms. Sullivan made a motion to move the amended budget to the February meeting, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.
- 3. Other Business Rough Draft of Warrant Article

Privilege of the Floor – Marni Kozak asked for the percentage of students who are attending winter program. This year is a little under 66%. Melissa Farrell asked as to the per pupil ratio of cost for each trip which has not been calculated.

Consent Items - None

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 5:50 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session at 6:53 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

No decisions were made:

Mrs. make made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of February 11, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray,

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn, Sarah Cormiea

Mr. Davis made a motion to open the meeting at 5:09 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted

Minutes of January 11, 2013 School Board Meeting: vote reserved for next month.

Principal's Report-Grant updates:

REAP (rural school achievement program grant) The following items have been purchased and installed with this grant funding (\$ 3,218)

- * Fan unit in gym
- * Water fountains in hallway
- * Roller shades in media center (safety upgrade)
- * Interior door lock for Kindergarten classroom (safety upgrade)
- * Rug for entrance way to gym

Title II funds (enhancing education through technology) The following technology items have been purchased and are in the process of installation for the unfunded mandate for online testing requirements. (\$9,680)

- * Bandwidth
- * Access points (x3)
- * Teacher laptops (x7)

The basketball season has come to a close. It was an exciting season. The final records stand as follows:

Boys 5 wins 5 losses Girls 2 wins 8 losses

On Monday February 4th WES celebrated 100^{ths} day in an afternoon of academic fun. The student council along with their advisors set up in the gym & classrooms a number of math related activities to celebrate this event.

SAVE THE DATES:

February 4th hundredths day

February 6th All-star basketball game @ 6:00 pm PRHS

February 11th school board meeting @ 5:00pm

February 11th Wentworth School Budget Hearing 6:00pm

February 25th – March 1 Winter break

March 9th Wentworth School District Meeting 3:00 pm

March 12th ½ day of school voting @ WES 11:00am – 7:00pm

March 22nd ½ day of school – student led conferences

KUDOS'

To coach Mr. Nick Gagnon & Mr. Ed Crane for a great basketball season.

To the student athletes, your sportsmanship and fair play was enjoyable to be a part of.

To Ms. Clark, Ms. Byers and the members of the student council for a wonderful 100^{ths} day celebration.

To Mr. Nick Gagnon & Mrs. Tanya O'Brien for organizing several mini science labs on the water cycle for grades $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$. It was enjoyable to watch and be a part of.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Principal's Report, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

- **1. Prepare for Budget Hearing-** Updates to the Warrant Articles.
- **2. Generator Information** Updates on Generator costs.
- **3. Other Business** pricing on monitoring system is \$3,150 plus additional cost per camera

Privilege of the Floor – Anything pertaining to budget will be addressed at the Budget Hearing.

Consent Items -

- 1. Claims and payroll signed by the board
- **2.** Report of the Auditor Report distributed to board. Will be included in the Town of Wentworth Annual Report.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to authorize Mr. Davis to sign the Audit Report, Seconded by Mrs. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 5:49 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session at 6:09 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

No decisions were made:

Mr. Davis made a motion to close business meeting and open Budget Hearing at 6:09 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of February 11, 2013 BUDGET HEARING Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan

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

Public Present: Sarah Cormiea, Phoebe Sanborn, Ellie Murray, Kenyon

Karl, Brian Dubois, Carol Friedrich, Frances Muzzey,

Mark Parsons

Mr. Davis made a motion to open the Budget Hearing at 6:09 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Dr. Ethel Gaides presented the proposed budget line by line.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the budget as read, seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Proposed Warrant Article # 2 in regards to raising money for purchase and installation of generator. Ellie Murray suggested the use of the Capital Reserve Fund. Article 2 will be amended to reflect the partial use of this fund.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the Warrant Articles as amended pending DRA approval and electronic vote, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close the budget hearing at 6:39 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted, Tiffany A. LaPointe School Board Secretary

Wentworth School Board Minutes of March 25, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray,

Christine Crane, Edward Crane, Deb Gelsi

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn

Mr. Davis made a motion to open the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: nothing added or deleted

Minutes of January 14, 2013, February 11, 2013 School Board Meeting February 11, 2013 Budget Hearing: The date on the January 14, 2013 minutes needs to be corrected from reading January 11, 2013. The 4th page of the February 11, 2013 minutes should be changed from Mrs. Davis to Mr. Davis. Mrs. Mack makes a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report- On March 7th Students in grade 4 took the NAEP test (National Assessment of Educational Progress) this is the "'Nations report card" unfortunately will not be given the results of this assessment as an individual school.

WES was selected to participate in the pilot testing of Better Balance Assessment. This will replace (in 2015) the current NECAP testing mandated by No Child Left Behind. This test was for 8th grade Math only. Again we will not be getting the results of this test because it is only a pilot.

On February 21st WES hosted a guest violinist who perform for grades 3rd – 8th. This performance was via a grant from the New Hampshire Music Festival and the Very Fine Arts Program. This was a nice presentation for our students.

On Thursday & Friday March 21st & 22nd was the schools annual Student – Led-Conferences. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to present to their parents the work they are very proud.

SAVE THE DATES:

March 8th Grades close for trimester II close

March 9th Wentworth School District Meeting@ 3:00 pm

March 12th ½ day of school -Voting day & Town meeting

March 14th Cultural Arts Night @ PRHS 5:00 – 8:00pm

March 15th Report Cards go home

March 22nd ½ day of school – Student Led Conferences

March 25th WES school board meeting @5:00 pm

April 15th Spring picture day

April 17th Academic fair night 6:00- 7:00 pm @ WES

April 19th Thriving in the middle school program Grades 5/6. @Plymouth national guard armory.

April 19th Progress reports go home

April 22 – 26 Spring Break.

KUDOS'

To Ms. Sarah Byers & Ms. Erika Clark for putting on a wonderful winter carnival day the Friday before our break.

To the members of the Student Council for all their hard working in making winter carnival a big success.

To the members of the WES School Board & Dr. Ethel Gaides for all their hard work in putting together a sound 2013 – 2014 school budget.

To Ms. Deb Stuart for all her support of this school and making the arrangements for the guest violinist.

To the teaching staff, the para-professionals and the students for all their hard work in making SLC a big success.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the principal's report. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

1. School Calendar 2013-2014- After discussion regarding Civil Rights Day Mrs. Mack made a motion to change the calendar having school on January 20, 2014 and accept as amended. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

2. Other Business - None

Privilege of the Floor – Frances Muzzey concerned about NAEP testing that the school gets no results and what is the cost to the school. There is not a cost to the school but it does use a day of education. However, there is no choice as to whether or not to administer the test.

Consent Items -

- 1. Claims and payroll signed by the board
- 2. Letter from PSU acknowledging Mr. Charpentier.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 5:37 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:00 PM, Administration stepped out of nonpublic and parents only entered nonpublic session with the school board.

At 6:45 PM, Administration was invited to return to nonpublic session. Mr. Davis moved to end nonpublic, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

No Action Taken.

At 6:50 p.m. Mrs. Mack made a motion to enter into nonpublic, seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to close nonpublic session and enter into public session at 7:05 p.m.. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the personnel slate of nominations as presented by administration. Seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of April 8, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Ellie Murray, Kim

Wheeler, Joyce Morrison, Kevin Kay

Teachers Present: Nick Gagnon

Mr. Davis made a motion to open the meeting at 5:05 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: The Board entered non-public session at 5:05 p.m. The board came out of nonpublic to re-enter nonpublic at 5:10 pm.

Minutes of March 25, 2013 School Board Meeting: After stating the board came out of nonpublic before voting, Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the minutes of March 25, 2013, as amended, seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report- Baseball season is under way. This year WES students will be playing on the Russell Elementary School team. We did not have enough players to fill our own team. It's just nice to have a program for our students to join.

Friday March 29th was the last day of the winter program. Although the weather could have been a bit better we all still had a good time.

On April 12th Gregg Champlin from School Emergency Planning, Paul Hatch of New Hampshire Department of Safety, Chief Kay of the Wentworth PD and myself will be meeting to look @ what safety plan we currently have and what improvements might need to be made. This meeting has been a year in the making.

April is "I love to read month" and to celebrate and encourage reading we will be asking all students to pick one book to read for the month of April and complete a book review on it. Students will come to school dressed as a character from the book and share it with their class. They will do this on Wednesday May 1st.

SAVE THE DATES:

April 8th School board meeting @ 5:00 pm

April 15th Spring Picture day

April 17th Academic Fair night 6:00-7:00 pm @ WES

April 19th thriving in the Middle School program Grades 5/ 6 @Plymouth National Guard Armory

April 19th Progress Reports go home

April 22 – 26 Spring Break

May 8th grades 4 – 6 to a Fisher Cats Baseball game

May 15th Spring Musical @ 6:00 p.m.

May 27th No School Memorial Day

May 31st Great East Music Festival

KUDOS'

To all the teachers and parent chaperons for the support they gave during our winter program. For without them this would not have gone so smoothly.

To Mr. Peter Helgerson, & Joe Morris of Russell Elementary School as well as Mr. Nick Gagnon for the extra time and effort in putting together a baseball schedule that will work and support our Wentworth athletes.

Discussion Items-

- **1. NECAP Results-** Mr. Charpentier shared results of NECAP test for WES.
- 2. Other Business None

Privilege of the Floor – None

Consent Items -

- 1. Claims and payroll signed by the board
- 2. Correspondence NONE.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session at 5:37 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made a motion to close nonpublic session and reenter public session at 5:55, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

The school board approved a 2 year contract for Mr. Charpentier with a single health plan.

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

By means of electronic vote the school board accepts the resignation of Tanya O'Brien with regret.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of May 13, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: Kenyan Karl, Francis Muzzey, Joyce Morrison, Neil

Borger and Angie Borger, Kevin Kay

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn

Mrs. Mack made a motion to open the meeting at 5:03 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Nothing added or deleted.

Minutes of April 8, 2013 School Board Meeting: Ms. Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of April 8, 2013, seconded by Mrs. Mack. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report- Baseball season is underway. Thus far the combine teams record stands at 3 win and 3 losses. It has been very exciting to watch.

Grades 3 – 6 where in invited to attend an educational day sponsored by the State Department of Education and the NH.

Fisher Cats Baseball team. This took place on Wednesday May8th. It was a nice day at the ballpark.

NECAP Science testing was held the week of May $6^{th} - 10^{th}$ for grades 8 and 4. We will not get the results until the fall.

NWEA testing starts the week of May 13th.

We have begun the process of interviewing for several teaching positions. The numbers of applications are in the 60+range. Final interviews are the week of May 13th.

Grades 5 - 8 went on a fieldtrip to the Groton Wind farm in Rumney on Friday May 10^{th} . This visit is a follow – up to the Presentation that took place in the fall.

SAVE THE DATES:

May 8th Grades 4 – 6 to a Fisher Cats Baseball game

May 13th School Board meeting @ 5:00 pm

May 15th Spring Musical @ 6:00 pm

May17th Kindergarten screening from 3:00 to 4:00 pm

May 27th No School Memorial Day

May 31st Great East Music Festival

June 6th& 7th - Eighth grade class trip

June 8th PRHS Graduation 9:00am @ PSU Field House

June 11th 8th Grade Graduation @ 6:00pm

June 13th last day of school ½ day

KUDOS'

To Gregg Champlin from School Emergency Planning, Paul Hatch of New Hampshire Department of Safety, Chief Kay of the Wentworth PD for all their help with our safety planning.

To Tessa Morphis for all her extra efforts in organizing both the NECAP & NWEA testing. It is a lot of work.

To Nick Gagnon and his baseball team. They are having a very nice season thus far.

To Courtney Hiltz and her students. The school play is a lot of work. Good luck on Wednesday.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

- 1. 2013 Encumbrances- Security needs from last year that were unable to finish and currently suggested by Kevin Kay for an emergency panic button in place. Technology needs, because the server has had to be replaced in the past, to install a cooling system. Building needs are for classroom renovations to include lightning in the ceiling tiles and build and install new cabinets. Mr. Davis suggested putting the schools needs on a warrant article instead of year end encumbrance. No vote today.
- **2. Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program update** \$2,964 allocated to WES for the Fresh Fruits and Vegetable program.
- **3. Other Business** Mrs. Melanson, Principal of Warren Elementary School, reached out to Mr. Charpentier regarding the possibility of sending 7th and 8th students to Wentworth Elementary School.

Privilege of the Floor – Francis Muzzey believes that an invoice or contract is needed before a year-end encumbrance can be made as well as all expenditures after July 1st need to be encumbered. His specific concern being any teachers

getting paid during the summer. It was explained to Mr. Muzzey that all teachers are paid prior to July 1st of any year. If a teacher chooses 26 pays over 22 pays they would still be paid in June, a lump sum amount, which the individual teacher would be responsible for disbursing accordingly themselves. He asked why students went to a baseball game. The board noted that it was an educational day sponsored by the NH Fisher cats and the State of NH - DOE. Mr. Muzzey would also like to know what procedures are planned to be put in place to increase school wide test scores.

Kevin Kay wanted to share that while developing emergency response plan the State was extremely surprised and happy to see the measures currently in place at WES and would like to recognize Mr. Charpentier for his efforts.

Consent Items -

- 1. Claims and payroll signed by the board
- **2.** Correspondence NONE .

Mrs. Mack made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session for the purpose of personnel at 5:40 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

For the remainder of the school board meeting Dr. Gaides recorded the minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wentworth School Board Minutes of June 10, 2013 Wentworth Elementary School

Board Members Present: Steve Davis, Bernice Sullivan, Kathleen Mack

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

Public Present: Kenyon Karl, Joyce Morrison, Tessa Morphis,

Wendy Mersch, Richard Young, Brian Dubois,

Frances Muzzey, Renee Shinn, Holler Buker, Maria

Young, Deborah Stewart, Marlaina O' Reilly,

Rhonda Archibald, Kevin Kay

Teachers Present: Phoebe Sanborn, Tristan Blake, Sarah Cormiea

Mrs. Mack made a motion to open the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Review and Disposition: Item two from Discussion items deleted from Agenda.

Minutes of May 13, May 23, and June 3, 2013 School Board Meetings: Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the minutes of May 13, May 23, and June 3, 2013, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Principal's Report- Baseball season has come to a close. The combined teams final record stands at 3 win and 8 losses. It has been very exciting season to watch.

On Friday May 31st members of the 6th and 7th grade band attended the Great East Festival at the Nashua North School. At the conclusion the students spent the evening at Canobie Lake Park.

On Thursday June 6th & Friday June 7th the 8th grade students along with Mr. Gagnon, Mr. Blake & Ms. Byers embarked on the class trip to the AMC Hut in No. Conway NH. They also made stops in No. Woodstock & Lincoln NH to Wales Tales Water Park and Outdoor Adventure Park for a day of activities.

The last full day of school June 12^{th} our students will be on field trips to Squam Lake Science Center, (k 1&2) as well as the Flume & Cannon Mt. Tram.($3^{rd} - 7^{th}$)

SAVE THE DATES:

June 6th & 7th 8th grade class trip

June 7th Semi formal dance grades 6th - 8th 6:00 – 8:00pm

June 8th PRHS Graduation 9:00am @ PSU Field House

June 11th 8th Grade Graduation @ 6:00pm

June 12th K -2 field trip to the Squam Lake Science Center Grades 4 – 7 to the Flume & Cannon Mt.

June 13th last day of school ½ day

KUDOS'

To Coach Nick Gagnon for coming into the season and taking over the team. He did a great job and I am grateful for his dedication.

To Ms. Courtney Hiltz and the members of the 6th and 7th grade band for their performance at the Great East Festival. They took a Silver Medal.

To Mr. Nick Gagnon, Mr. Tristan Blake & Ms. Sara Byers for the planning and participating in the 8th grade class trip. It was very successful and a lot of fun for all.

To the Davis Family, Deep, Scott. Stephen & Henna for sharing their families trip to India with the school. It was very informative and educational for our students.

To Mr. Pete Chierichetti and his boys for being the DJ's at the Semi formal dance.

Mr. Davis made a motion to accept the principal's report, seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion Items-

- 1. Recycling The school has been asked to participate in recycling. Information regarding recycling will most likely be distributed in the fall. Kenyon Karl suggested to Dr. Gaides to look into New England Resources Recover Association as he believes they are very active in school recycling. Richard Young mentioned that other schools take advantage of having dedicated recycling dumpster vs. separate containers.
- **2. Other Business** Mr. Charpentier distributed information to the school board on a new course to be added to the music program. Aimed for students who do not like to sing or perform can take an exploratory course for students not enrolling in band or chorus.

Privilege of the Floor – Deborah Stewart expressed her extraordinary experience with Wentworth Elementary School and working with music with children. She felt very welcomed by the staff and administration. Ms. Stewart applauded the whole hearted participation of the teachers and noted that WES deserves much praise for how well the school does.

Holly Buker expressed her concern in regards to contract renewal for Mr. Charpentier. Noting that there has been much confusion with recent events. Ms. Buker asked questions that were unable to be answered by the board.

Richard Young has been the custodian at WES for 17 plus years and stated that the last 7 years with Mr. Charpentier as principal this school has improved leaps and bounds. Changes and upgrades to the building, keeping up with technology, as well as academic progress that have been made. And notes that Mr. Charpentier is a great leader and a great principal.

Consent Items -

1. Claims and payroll signed by the board

2. Correspondence – NONE.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to close public session and enter into nonpublic session for the purpose of personnel at 5:40 p.m., seconded by Ms. Sullivan. The vote was unanimous.

The board voted to return to public session at 6:20 p.m.

The school board accepts the nominations of Dorothy Prive as 1:1 aide and Erin Guinan as grade 3/4Teacher.

The school board accepts the nomination of Sara Byers as reading teacher as Title I funds become available for the 2013/2014 fiscal year.

The School board has electronically signed a contract for Keith Charpentier.

NO JULY MEETING. Next meeting will be August 12, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Mack, seconded by Mr. Davis. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,