

WALTHAM C.C. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #185  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
South Building/Art & Music Room

Board President Jim McCabe called the Waltham Elementary School Board meeting of February 23, 2011 to order at 6:03 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Board Members present at the time of roll call were, Buffy Hoskins, Jason Depenbrock, Eric Luce, Jeff Rothrock, Carol Senica, Jeff Whalen and Jim McCabe.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All

**Recognize Visitors/Comments:** Roger Hegland (Maintenance/Custodian), Mike Roebuck (Parent), Tom Collins (News-Tribune Reporter), Gloria Alvarado (Utica Library) and her grandson Isaac, and Mike Olson (Principal candidate).

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Jeff Rothrock to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting minutes of January 19, 2011, Executive Session of January 19, 2011, Exec. Session of the Personnel Mtg. of February 21, 2011 and the Exec. Session of the Personnel Mtg. of February 22, 2011; bills as presented in the amounts of \$151,275.34 from Education Fund, \$9,896.88 from Operations & Maintenance Fund, \$15,518.22 from the Transportation Fund, \$5,237.06 from the Municipal Retirement/Soc. Sec. Fund, for a total of \$181,927.50; and the Treasurer's Report. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Jason Depenbrock – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Jeff Rothrock – yea, Carol Senica – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Reports from Superintendent Robert Abney were heard on the following along with the review of Board Packet inclusions.

1. Board Salute – Utica Public Library
2. Facilities – Mr. Hegland reported on basic repairs at the North building. Also, the circulating pump on the boiler at North was leaking and he is working on getting it fixed.
3. Enrollment – District enrollment has stayed the same, and a new 2<sup>nd</sup> grader will be starting on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
4. Building Rental – The Utica Little League is requesting the use of the South gym on March 9, 16, 23 and 30<sup>th</sup> for their annual clinic.
5. Principals' Report – 18 students will be advancing to the Regional History Fair; the band students played with the LPHS band; Aaron Kamke received 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the You Be the Chemist Regional's; and Owen Stoneking was the winner of the Waltham Spelling Bee.

**Executive Session:** Jason Depenbrock moved, seconded by Carol Senica to move into Executive Session in order to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of specific personnel, and student discipline. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Jason Depenbrock – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Jeff Rothrock – yea, Carol Senica – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays. Moved at 6:15 p.m.

Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Jeff Rothrock to return to Regular Session. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Jason Depenbrock – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Jeff Rothrock – yea, Carol Senica – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays. Returned at 6:50 p.m.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Employment:** Jeff Rock moved, seconded by Carol Senica to approve a 2-year contract for Building Principal Michael A. Olson effective July 1, 2011 with a base salary of \$58,000 for the 2011-2012 school year, and a base salary of \$58,580 for the 2012-2013 school year. Buffy

Hoskins – yea, Jason Depenbrock – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Jeff Rothrock – yea, Carol Senica – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays.

**Set Staff/Board Dinner and Personnel Comm. Of the Whole Mtg:** Carol Senica moved, seconded by Jeff Whalen to set Thursday, March 24, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Waltham North as the annual Staff/Board Dinner and Personnel Committee of the Whole Meeting. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays.

**Approve Building Rental:** Buffy Hoskins moved, seconded by Eric Luce to approve the rental of the South Gym by the Utica Little League on March 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2011 from 5-8 p.m. Motion carried with 7 yeas, 0 nays.

**Other Business:** Mr. Abney reported that he researched the Concerts for a Cause fundraiser and feels Waltham cannot compete due to economics of our school district.

**Adjournment:** Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Jason Depenbrock to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with 7 yeas, and 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan J. Hewitt  
Board Secretary

James P. McCabe  
Board President