CITY OF DERBY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Committee of the Whole
Derby Middle School Cafeteria
April 3, 2012

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call:
Denise Bottoni, Andy Mancini, Laura Harris, Stephanie D’Onofrio Ken Marcucio and Kim Kreiger.

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Stephen Tracy, Jen Barriga - Central Office and DMS Principal Sally Bonina.

Absent: George Kurtyka, Christine Robinson, and Rebecca O’Hara.

Public Participation
Chantal Gerckens - 65 Hillcrest Ave. Ms. Gerckens forwarded a letter to all to request the Bradley School Gym be dedicated to Paula Ferrara.

Changes in Calculation of Graduation/Drop Out Rates
The State of Connecticut has changed its definition and method for calculating graduation rates. Ms. Barriga addressed the board. The State in 2009-2010 came up with a new plan to track graduation rates consistently across the district. Students are tracked graduating in four years or less.

Old Business
Strategic Plan Update - the adopted plan was distributed for the board to form subcommittees to address things that need to be done.

Job Descriptions for Administrators - the descriptions were sent out. This will be put on the full board meeting agenda.

Update on Turbines - the turbines are not working today. They are functioning at 50%.
teaching kids how to behave, rather than catching them not behaving and putting them in a room all day.

Executive Session
A MOTION at 8:10 p.m. by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. D’Onofrio that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and appoint a business manager and that Nancy Lach and Superintendent Tracy be invited to attend, all in favor, roll call: : Denise Bottone -yes, Andy Mancini -yes, Laura Harris -yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio -yes Ken Marcucio -yes and Kim Kreiger -yes, motion passes.

A MOTION at 8:50 p.m. by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Harris that the Board of Education return to public session, all in favor, roll call: : Denise Bottone -yes, Andy Mancini -yes, Laura Harris -yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio -yes Ken Marcucio -yes and Kim Kreiger -yes, motion passes.

Business Manager
A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Mr. Mancini that the Board of Education appoint Ms. Linda Trudeau as school business manager effective as soon as possible, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, roll call: : Denise Bottone -yes, Andy Mancini -yes, Laura Harris -yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio -yes Ken Marcucio -yes and Kim Kreiger -yes, motion passes.

Adjournment
A MOTION at 8:51 p.m. by Ms. D’Onofrio with a second by Ms. Bottone that the Board of Education adjourn, all in favor, roll call: : Denise Bottone -yes, Andy Mancini -yes, Laura Harris -yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio -yes Ken Marcucio -yes and Kim Kreiger -yes, motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary

***These minutes are subject to approval by the Board of Education at their next regular meeting.