Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. All rose and pledged allegiance.

Roll Call:
Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini. There is a quorum.

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Stephen Tracy, School Business Manager Pamela Mangini, DMS Principal Sally Bonina and Special Education Director Dr. Lois Knapton.

Absent:
Rebecca O’Hara, Kim Kreiger, George Kurtyka and Casey Picheco.

Public Participation
Tom Lionetti - 79 Sunset Drive. Mr. Lionetti was at a meeting a couple of weeks ago and asked a question about the high school boys basketball job and the internal and external posting of the job. Mr. Lionetti stated it was not posted externally...only internally making it only one candidate.

Mr. Lionetti stated other jobs have been and wants to know why it wasn’t posted externally so there would be an opportunity for more qualified candidates.

Superintendent Tracy had offered to Mr. Lionetti, that he (Dr. Tracy) would talk to the high school principal and athletic director to discuss the topic further. Dr. Tracy will let Mr. Lionetti when it is scheduled.

Public Portion Closed.

Student Achievement Presentations
Fran Gallo - Irving School
Christine DiGrazia - Bradley School
Sally Bonina - Derby Middle School
Greg Gaillard - Derby High School
Dr. Lois Knapton - Special Education Department

Dr. Tracy stated the information being heard tonight will be for DMS, DHS and Special Education. The elementary schools will be presented at a later date.
**DMS** - Ms. Bonina presented information regarding the CMT results. DMS has been identified as a school in need of improvement.

Grade 6 students experienced a growth in reading and writing proficiency. The math goal went up.

Grade 7 students demonstrated a proficiency and a goal broke in all three areas.

Grade 8 students saw very little change in reading and writing, but significant growth in math.

**Special Education**
Dr. Knapton addressed the board. The numbers are smaller but are broken out by numbers of students at each grade level who are identified as special education who took the test.

The years of 2006 through 2011 were used.

The data presented was set up by grade and by percentage of special education kids. Math, reading and writing for grades three through eight.

In 2006, 60% of the kids scored below basic, 10% scored basic.

In 2010, 65% of kids reached goal in third grade, in reading.

For third grade, there was sporadic progress.

There was a significant increase in reading in 2010, but a decrease in 2011.

Derby is making progress, but not as close to the goal, that the state would like it to be.

Grade four, efficiency in math, there is a lot of kids below basic.

Inconsistent progress in math.

**DHS**
Mr. Gaillard is not present at the time.

**Bilingual Grant**
A MOTION by Ms. Harris with a second by Mr. Mancini that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to submit the Bilingual Education Program Grant Application 2011-2012 on behalf of the Derby Public Schools, all in favor. Roll Call: Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini, motion carries.

**Acting Business Manager**
A MOTION by Ms. Harris with a second by Ms. D’Onofrio that the Board of Education approve Art Poole as Acting Business Manager for the period of October 26, 2011 through December 31,
2011, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, Roll Call: Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini, motion carries.

Paraprofessional Position, Irving School
A MOTION by Ms. Harris with a second by Ms. Robinson that the Board of Education establish an additional paraprofessional position at Irving School as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, Roll Call: Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini, motion carries.

Interim I.T. Plan
***The proposal is not ready for the meeting. The item will be presented at a later date.

Request for Additional Funding
A MOTION by Ms. Harris with a second by Mr. Mancini that the Board of Education requests additional funding for the Derby Public Schools for FY 2012 from the Board of Apportionment & Taxation, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, Roll Call: Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini, motion carries.

DHS
Mr. Gaillard presented information on the CAPT’s data. Five years of CAPT scores were presented. The scores are on Math, Science, Reading and Writing.

The high school was making some gains, however, this past year the school took a hit in the math goal.

The school is plus or minus five in all areas. The scores are mediocre and the school needs to do better.

The level of proficiency is a lower standard.

The sophomores who took the test last year, are our present juniors. There are sixty four juniors. There are twenty eight females in the junior class. 6.3% of females met the math goal last year.

Adjourn
A MOTION to adjourn by Ms. D’Onofrio with a second by Ms. Robinson at 8:08 p.m., all in favor, Roll Call: Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Christine Robinson, Ken Marcucio, and Andy Mancini, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary