CITY OF DERBY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Derby Middle School
SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

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

Roll Call:
Andy Mancini, Stephanie D’Onofrio, Laura Harris, Casey Piccheco, Ken Marcucio, George Kurtyka, Christine Robinson, and Kim Kreiger.

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Stephen Tracy.
Absent:
Rebecca O’Hara.

Public Participation
Tom Lionetti - 79 Sunset Drive. Mr. Lionetti questioned the assignment of the varsity basketball coach. The job was posted internally and not externally. The last four or five jobs posted were posted externally. Why was the policy changed to be posted just internally.

Public Portion Closed.

Teacher of the Year
The item is tabled.

Student Representative Report
The original school date was August 30th, however, due to Tropical Storm Irene the school year started September 2nd.

On Tuesday, homeroom schedules were passed out. Class assemblies were held with the new principal Mr. Gaillard and the new assistant principal Mr. Landolfi.

The students talked about what they remembered on September 11th.

Open House was held on September 15th.

Senior Night was held.

September 16th Derby Football had a great win against St. Paul 55-32.

The girls soccer team beat New London.
September 21st a home room schedule was passed out for CMT scores for freshmen and CAPT scores for juniors.
Next week is the Derby versus Ansonia football game.

**ACES Curriculum/Professional Development**
There are three critical ingredients to the success of any school:

- Clear Plan of the State Standards as established by the State Department of Education
- Strategy for Motivating and Engaging Every Student
- Provide a Quality Instructional Experience

Leslie Avetello of ACES addressed the board with the plan for Derby regarding support and direction with curriculum and professional development, including what the partnership will be about.

**Chairman's Report**
September 28th will be a meeting for Board of Education Goals at the central office from 6:00 to 10:00. and October 4th will be the Committee of the Whole meeting.

**Strategic Plan**
Connie Condon presented a plan to the board.

**Superintendent Report**
Mr. Nardone gave an update on the facilities. The duration of the power outage had an effect on the information technology infrastructure. Derby's IT structure goes through Derby High School. Mr. Nardone would like to get a generator on the servers. Additional lighting was installed in the front of the high school. Window shades were installed in the stairwell.

The Oct 4th Committee of the Whole agenda will include presentations by the principals regarding CMT and CAPT scores.

The Griffin Hospital Childhood Obesity Task Force will hold a program on October 6th at Ansonia High School at 5:15 p.m.

Pam Mangini the Business Manager will be leaving on October 28th.

Brian Dunnuck the Information Technology Manager will be leaving in a week.

The leadership team has been looking at food allergies. The CBE food allergy proposed policy was presented.

Information was presented on bus riderships and bus stops.

Board vacancy report was presented.

**Paraprofessional Position, Bradley School**
A MOTION by Ms. Harris with a second by Mr. Mancini that the Board of Education establish an additional paraprofessional position at Bradley School, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D'Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion carries.

Enrollment Report
The report was presented. The school district is serving 1,445 students, pre K through 12. All the class sizes are within contractual limits.

Approval of Minutes
A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Robinson that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the following minutes:

Committee of the Whole - August 2, 2011
Regular Meeting - August 18, 2011

all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D'Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

Non-Affiliated Medical Benefits in Retirement
In 1996, the board made arrangements to provide medical benefits in retirement for non certified staff members who are affiliated with labor unions that incorporate employees of the board of education. At that time, the board of education's non affiliated staff members were omitted from those arrangements.

Dr. Tracy will address this again at the October meeting to ask that they be included in these arrangements.

Financial Report
A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Harris that the Board of Education approve the Financial Report for the period ending August 31, 2011, as recommended by the School Business Manager, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D'Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

Executive Session
A MOTION at 8:05 p.m. by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Mr. Kurtyka that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and that Dr. Tracy be invited to attend, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D'Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -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, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D'Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris -
yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

**Personnel Matters**

A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Mr. Mancini that the Board of Education approve the schedule of appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

**Resignations**

A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Robinson that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Pamela Mangini, Business Manager, with appreciation, best wishes and regret, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Harris that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Brian Dunnuck, Technology Manager with appreciation, best wishes and regret, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Mr. Kurtyka that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Chantal Gerkins, Library Clerk at Bradley School with appreciation, best wishes and regret, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

**Adjournment**

A MOTION at 8:51 p.m. by Ms. D’Onofrio with a second by Ms. Kreiger that the Board of Education adjourn, all in favor, , Andy Mancini - yes, Stephanie D’Onofrio - yes, Laura Harris - yes, Casey Picheco - yes, Ken Marcucio - yes, George Kurtyka - yes, Christine Robinson -yes, and Kim Kreiger - yes, motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary

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