CITY OF DERBY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES – JUNE 7, 2011
City of Derby
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Derby Middle School Cafetorium
6:30 p.m.

Call to order: meeting called to order at 6:41 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: all rose and pledged allegiance

Roll Call: Andy Mancini, Laura Harris, Stephanie D’Onofrio, Casey Picheco, Ken Marcucio - Chairman, George Kurtzka. Christine Robinson and Kim Kreiger. There is a quorum.

Also Present: Dr. Stephen Tracy - Superintendent of Schools, Pam Mangini - BOE Business Manager, City of Derby.

Absent: Rebecca O’Hara.

Public Participation
Nancy Lach - Senior Accountant - Board of Education. Ms. Lach has been an employee of the Board of Education for close to six years. She has seen three Business Managers and two Superintendents. An Assistant Superintendent has not been replaced since 2008. Central office has taken on the accounts payable processing from the City along with two office position vacancies. Ms. Lach does not see how eliminating a position in Central Office will allow for the same level of service. Public Portion closed.

Dave - is an assistant basketball coach for Derby High School and twelve years on the Park & Rec Board for Derby. Please keep the athletic programs.

No one else from the program spoke. Public Portion closed.

2012 Budget Adoption
A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Ms. Harris that the Board of Education adopt an operating budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012, as recommended by the Superintendent, discussion........

Dr. Tracy addressed the board; The Board of Apportionment and Taxation has allocated 15.45 million for 2012-2013. That number excludes the cost of health benefits. By using the March 15 2011 proposed
budget minus the health care costs results in 15.294 million leaving the Board to reduce the March 15th budget by $486,000 dollars.

The board will eliminate the contingent elementary half positions at Irving and Bradley and add $20,000 to the elementary tutoring line item.

A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger to amend and remove half of the two contingency elementary $25,000 items at Bradley and Irving bringing those items to zero, and adding $30,000 to the curriculum and instruction to bring that to a total of $40,000, the remaining $20,000 to be applied as $10,000 toward tutoring at Bradley and $10,000 to tutoring at Irving, second by Mr. Kurtyka, all in favor, motion carries.

A MOTION by Mr. Mancini to reduce central office expenses by $20,000, and put $20,000 into professional development, accepting all the amendments, and accept the budget as it stands tonight, second by Ms. Kreiger, all in favor, motion carries.

Supplemental Expenditure Plan
A MOTION by Ms. Kreiger with a second by Mr. Kurtyka that the Board of Education approve a Supplemental Expenditure Plan, as recommended by the Superintendent, all in favor, motion carries.

Extra Pay Day in FY 2012
This item is tabled until the June 16th meeting.

Old Business
NEASC - there was a meeting with the Mayor, the City Treasurer, Mr. Robertson, Corporation Counsel, Dr. Tracy, Mr. Marcucio, Mr. Thompson to discuss the conclusions of the NEASC report. There was discussion regarding financial support. A follow up meeting will be scheduled.

The Board will meet on June 21 2011 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent’s evaluation.

Adjourn
A MOTION to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. by Ms. D’Onofrio with a second by Mr. Kurtyka, all in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary

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