

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, September 9, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.
Freeport High School Library
Meeting Minutes

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the September 23, 2009 meeting).

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristen Dorsey, Eric Dube, Cori Holt, Jennifer Kaplan, Brenda Kielty, Nelson Larkins, Melinda McKechnie, John Morang, Beth Parker, Elizabeth Peters, Laurie Poissonnier

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Larkins called the meeting to order at 7:06 P.M.

3. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Addition of 3.5 A. regarding the new Durham school project.
Addition of 6. Old Business updates

3.5

A. **Voted: (1)** That the new Durham school be named the Durham Community School.
(Holt – Kaplan) (11 – 0)

4. WORKSHOP:

David Ruff and Duke Albanese, Co-Executive Directors of the Great Schools Partnership, were in attendance to present the data that will be distributed at the Community Forum on Monday, September 14, 2009. The agenda and process for the forum was also reviewed. After the program in the FPAC group discussions will take place around the areas of Innovation, Financial Efficiency and Academics. After the forum Great Schools will compile the information from the group discussions to present to the Board on October 14, 2009. The Board will use the information to create a three-year strategic plan. A second community forum will be held at the end of October for additional community input.

5. PERSONNEL:

- A. **Voted: (2)** To employ Sarah Simmonds as Curriculum Director for the RSU for the 2009-2010 school year. (Parker – Poissonnier) (11 – 0)
- B. **Voted: (3)** To employ Jennifer Kelly as a Literacy Strategist for the RSU for the 2009-2010 school year. (Poissonnier – Parker) (11 – 0)

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Beth Parker mentioned Freeport Recreation and Community Education is looking for representatives from Pownal and Durham to join the Advisory Committee. The meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month.

B. Pownal Road Fields – The Town Council has created a Recreational Field Use Committee to study use of the fields. They are asking for representatives from Pownal and Durham to be on the committee.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

8. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Voted: (4) To adjourn at 9:05 P.M. (Parker – Peters) (11 – 0)

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Superintendent of Schools