

RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, March 28, 2009 – 8:00 A.M.
Freeport High School Library
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 April 15, 2009 meeting).

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Beth Parker, Elizabeth Peters

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Poissonnier called the meeting to order at 8:04 A.M.

3. PRESENTATION OF RSU NO. 5 FY '10 BUDGET:

Superintendent Welsh presented the proposed 2009-2010 RSU 5 Budget to the Board. The proposed budget contained the recommended budgets from each of the current school departments. In addition, the budget contained items that had previously been paid for by Freeport citizens as part of the municipal budget. These items include debt and capital improvement project payments. Another new item to the budget is the interest payment for Durham's new elementary school. The State will give the RSU \$725,000 for the interest payment and the RSU must make the payment to the Bond Bank. This requires an increase in the budget that is offset by the increased State subsidy. The State requires the RSU to report the interest payment in the budget.

The purpose of this initial budget presentation was to educate the Board and public about what was contained in the recommended budgets from each current school department. Continued budget deliberations will occur over the next two months ending in late May with a three-town Annual Budget Meeting followed by a Budget Validation Referendum. The Board encouraged all citizens to participate in the process.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

Voted: (1) To adjourn at 11:52 A.M. (Holt – McKechnie) (9 – 0)

Shannon L. Welsh
Superintendent of Schools