Dedham Public Schools School Committee Meeting Minutes February 2, 2011

The Chairman of the School Committee, Tom Ryan, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members of the School Committee present were:

Tom Ryan, Chair Joe Heisler
Kevin Coughlin, Vice Chair Dimitria Sullivan
Dave Roberts - Absent Mayanne Briggs

Tracy Driscoll

Members of the Central Administration present were:

June Doe, Superintendent

Michael La Francesca, Assistant to the Superintendent for Business

Superintendent's Update: The Superintendent announced that Principal Jake Santamaria would be retiring at the end of the school year.

Chair's Update: None

Student Representative's Update: None

Roll call vote to open the Public Hearing: Ms. Driscoll-yes, Ms. Briggs-yes, Ms. Sullivan-yes, Mr. Heisler-yes, Mr. Coughlin-yes, Mr. Ryan-yes.

Public Hearing on the FY2012 Proposed Budget – Mr. Michael La Francesca.

A Power Point presentation was made on the FY12 budget

Budget Sub-Committee Chair, Mr. Heisler thanked the work of the committee and administration for crafting a budget that allows all services to be maintained with minimal increases. The Budget Sub-Committee unanimously recommends the proposed FY2012 to the Committee for approval. It was requested by a committee member to receive a copy of the grant breakdown as shown on the Power Point presentation.

No questions from the public

Motion made by Ms. Driscoll, and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to close the Public Hearing. Roll call vote taken: Ms. Driscoll-yes, Ms. Briggs-yes, Ms. Sullivan-yes, Mr. Heisler-yes, Mr. Coughlin-yes, Mr. Ryan-yes.

Motion made by Mr. Heisler, and seconded by Ms. Sullivan to approve the proposed FY2012 budget as presented in the amount of \$33,447,670.02, a 2.63% increase over FY2011 budget. Approved: Unanimous

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Mr. Coughlin, and seconded by Mr. Heisler to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2011 meeting. Approved: Unanimous

Donations: None

Avery Project Update:

The next meeting of the SBRC is Tuesday, February 8. They continue to work on the Athletic Field budget and related items on the Avery School Project. Both projects are on schedule.

Public Comment:

Robert O'Connell spoke on the behalf of the picketers on Pottery Lane. He would like the School Committee to support local jobs for local residents. Chairman Ryan would provide a comment regarding the Town's position next meeting.

Motion made by Ms. Briggs, and seconded by Mr. Coughlin to adjourn. Approved: Unanimous