

1 **Chittenden Central Supervisory Union**  
2 **Prudential Committee**  
3 **Park Street School**  
4 **Monday, February 9, 2009**  
5 *Minutes*

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7 **Board Members Present:** Linda Waite-Simpson, Brenda Dawson Crocket, John Gazo, Dave Riester  
8 (present until 8:10 pm), Charlee Day  
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10 **Administrators Present:** Mike DeWeese, Judy DeNova, Grant Geisler, Linda Keating, Gabrielle  
11 Smith, Kathy Barron  
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13 **Others Present:** Scott Campitelli, RETN ; Michele Gammal, Mike Gammal, Donna O'Malley, Erna  
14 Deutsch, Rob Miles, Jeanne Grant, Sharon Sturm, Kevin McCullen; Leslie Krogh-Wisner, Joyce  
15 Carroll (Essex Reporter)  
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17 Linda Waite-Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.  
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19 **Tax Abatement Hearing**

20 Note time began: 6:00 pm

21 Time ended: 6:50 pm  
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23 Time meeting recessed: 6:50 pm

24 Time meeting reconvened: 6:55 pm  
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26 **Citizens to be Heard**

27 Michelle Gammal spoke on behalf of a group of ADL parents who are concerned “with the changes  
28 taking place in the way instruction is implemented in the classrooms, more specifically relating to the  
29 math instruction.” They do not see grouping students heterogeneously as the best option for math.  
30 They would like the opportunity to meet with the board and talk about the strengths and weakness of  
31 grouping the students heterogeneously for math and discuss the future of the entire math program and  
32 changes taking place at ADL. Linda Waite-Simpson spoke to the difference between the  
33 implementation and the model itself and explained that the board had asked Laurie Singer to work with  
34 parents on the implementation of this. Regarding the model itself, the board agreed to put this on the  
35 agenda for March.  
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37 Scott, RETN spoke to the board on the fact that Comcast has made a decision not to include RETN in  
38 their future programming. He asked the board’s support in approaching Comcast to reverse this  
39 decision.  
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41 **Collective Bargaining**

42 The current master agreement between the teachers and the board expires this June 30. The parties  
43 have recently exchanged proposals to begin negotiations for a successor contract. The next meeting  
44 between the parties is set for February 18, 2009.  
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46 **Educational Presentation: Prevention and Wellness**

47 Linda Keating and Gabrielle Smith, CCSU Prevention and Wellness Coordinator, updated the board on  
48 action that relate to physical education, guidance, family and consumer science (combined to deliver  
49 our comprehensive health program) and the CCSU Wellness Policy.

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**FY'08 Audit Out-brief**

Each year the school district is required to have an external audit conducted. Leslie Krogh-Wisner (Audit firm Mudgett, Jennett & Krogh Wisner, P.C.) provided a brief summary of the FY'08 audit report. This audit contained no significant findings.

**FY'10 Budget Work Session**

Grant Geisler presented the updated draft of the FY'10 EJSD General Fund and Capital Funds and the FY'10 EJRP General Fund and Capital Fund. He also presented a draft of the FY'10 Budget Articles to be presented at the Annual Meeting.

The warning and the Annual Report need to be finalized sometime between March 4 and March 13, 2009. The information meeting will be on April 13, with the vote following on April 14, 2009.

*Brenda Dawson-Crockett moved and John Gazo seconded the motion to approve the FY'10 EJSD General Fund at \$16,000,365. The motion passed 4-0.*

*Brenda Dawson-Crockett moved and John Gazo seconded the motion to approve the FY'10 EJRP General Fund for \$1,380,575. The motion passed 4-0.*

**Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda consisted of: Warrants, Jan. 12 meeting minutes, Jan. 29 meeting minutes. One revision was made to the location of the January 29, 2009, meeting from ADL to Park Street School.

*John Gazo moved and Brenda Dawson-Crockett seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 4-0.*

**Future Agenda Items**

- \* ADL math
- \*NECAP update
- \* Calendar
- \* Budget Communications

**Meeting Re-Cap**

- \* Collective Bargaining meeting this weekend.
- \* Updates on Wellness and Prevention.
- \* Clean audit
- \* Finished budget work, no further budget meetings necessary.
- \* Adopted consent agenda

**Executive Session: Personnel**

*Brenda Dawson-Crockett moved and John Gazo seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session for a Personnel matter. The motion passed 4-0.*

The board entered Executive Session at: 8:50 PM

The board exited Executive Session at: 9:03 PM

*Brenda Dawson-Crockett moved to accept the professional resignation. John Gazo seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.*

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100 The board adjourned at 9:03 PM.

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102 Respectfully submitted by:

103 Charlee Day