

# Memorandum from

## The RTM Education Committee

### Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 4, 2009

*Education Committee Members in Attendance: Joan Davis, Barbara Harrington, Dennis Maroney, Emily McDermott, Christa McNamara, Susan Morrison, Sandy Savage, Lois Schneider, Karin Sharp, Barbara Thorne, Priscilla Wong*

*Education Committee Members Absent: Chris Camuti, David Martens and Mark Smosky*

*Guests in Attendance: John Boulton – Chairperson of the Board of Education, Kim Westcott – Vice Chairperson BOE, Clara Sartori – Secretary BOE, Heather Shea and Betsy Hagerty- Ross – Members of BOE, Don Fittal – Superintendent of Schools, Dick Huot – Director of Finance, Judith Pandolfo – Assistant Superintendent Elementary Education and Stephen Falcone – Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education*

The meeting was called to order by Lois Schneider at 8:00 p.m.

Topics discussed:

1. Update on the status of the Board of Education budget for fiscal year 2009-2010. Also discussion on expected dollars from the Federal stimulus package as to when and if Darien will receive the money, and how it may be used.
2. Current update on classroom enrollment for the 09-10 school year.
3. Status of changes to kindergarten schedule and structure of early dismissal.
4. Special Education: Expected enrollment and associated costs.
5. High School Athletics: Discussions with Darien YMCA, potential revenues and/or cuts, and status of the Office of Civil Rights complaint.
6. Vote on Resolution 09-8 Annual Budget A and C: Vote was unanimous in favor of approving the Education appropriations as voted on by the Board of Finance.
7. Vote on approval of outstanding minutes. Without objection the committee approved the minutes from March 9, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christa McNamara

Clerk RTM Education Committee