Chairman Timothy Walsh called the Special Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:06 p.m.

Roll Call: (alpha order)
John Francino-Quinn  
Mark Holden  
Arlene Liscinsky, Vice Chair  
Thomas Minotti, Secretary  
Win Oppel  
James Orazietti  
Mike Pacowta  
Timothy Walsh, Chairman  
Kathleen Yolish

Full quorum of 9 present.

Board of Education Administration present:  
Superintendent of Schools, Freeman Burr  
Assistant Superintendent, Lorraine Rossner  
Acting Director of Human Resources, James Brant

(1 tape on file in City/Town Clerk’s Office)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Timothy Walsh expressed condolences and appreciation to Kate Kutash and congratulated those who were elected and re-elected to the Board. Mr. Walsh made some parting remarks as Chairman, thanking the previous Board, Superintendent Burr, Vice Chair Arlene Liscinsky, Diane Luther, administrators and staff. Chairman Walsh reviewed the many accomplishments that occurred during his chairmanship.

**Yearly Re-Organization of the Board – Election of Officers**
Chairman Walsh reviewed the process to be followed.

**Win Oppel moved to select Mark Holden as moderator for the purpose of the election of officers; seconded by James Orazietti; vote 9-0; motion passed.**
Mr. Holden called for nominations for the position of Chairman.

Thomas Minotti moved to nominate Win Oppel as Chairman; seconded by Timothy Walsh. Jay Francino-Quinn moved to nominate James Orazietti as Chairman; seconded by Kathy Yolish. There being no further nominations, a roll call voice vote was taken: Win Oppel was selected as Chairman with a 5-4 vote; motion passed.

Mr. Holden called for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman.

Win Oppel moved to nominate Thomas Minotti as Vice Chairman; seconded by Arlene Liscinsky. Jay Francino-Quinn moved to nominate Kathy Yolish as Vice Chairperson; seconded by James Orazietti. There being no further nominations, a roll call voice vote was taken: Thomas Minotti was selected as Vice Chairman with a 5-4 vote; motion passed.

Mr. Holden called for nominations for the position of Secretary.

Timothy Walsh moved to nominate Arlene Liscinsky as Secretary; seconded by Thomas Minotti. As there were no other nominations, one ballot was cast for Arlene Liscinsky; motion passed.

Incoming Chairman Win Oppel made some closing remarks, thanking all who voted for him and said he would work hard to cross over and reach out to members who did not. Mr. Oppel asked Board members to email him with requests for committee assignments.

Adjournment
Kathy Yolish moved to adjourn at 7:27 p.m.; seconded by Jay Francino-Quinn; vote 9-0; motion passed.

Diane Luther
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Recording Secretary – Board of Education
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