

**ACTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

Library
R.J. Grey Junior High School

March 31, 2005
7:30 pm

Members Present: Marie Altieri, Mary Ann Ashton, Jo-Ann Berry,
Michael Coppolino, Terry Lindgren, Jeff Vandegrift
Also Present: William Ryan, George Frost, Nancy Kolb, Tess Summers,
Susan Horn, citizens and press

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Marie Altieri, chairperson.

The Committee went into Joint Session until 9:00 p.m., when the Acton meeting was suspended until 9:35, when the meeting resumed.

CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION.

The chairperson reviewed the items on the agenda.

STATEMENT OF WARRANT

Warrant #2005-20 in the amount of \$112,586.99 was signed by the chairperson and circulated to the rest of the Committee for signatures.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 17, 2005, were approved as presented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

NEW BUSINESS

1. FY'06 Budget

Bill Ryan noted that the Budget Books are ready for Town Meeting.

2. Acton Town Meeting Presentation

Marie Altieri will make the Acton Public Schools' FY'06 budget presentation at Town Meeting.

3. Recommendation to Accept Donation from AB Community Education

Terry Lindgren moved, Jo-Ann Berry seconded and it was unanimously

VOTED: To accept, with gratitude, the donation of \$120,000 from AB Community Education.

This contribution represents the projected surplus from the All -Day Kindergarten program, FY'05.

4. School Committee Policy Review/Revisions, Sections A & B - FIRST READING

- A member asked to make the names of officers consistent. Sections A through D will be read at the May School Committee meeting. Send any comments on A and B to either School Committee chair as soon as possible.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- The Superintendent referred to several items.
- Report of Kindergarten Enrollment:
George Frost reported that we have a lower enrollment number at this point than was projected.
- Merriam School's Handshake Project - Red Sox and Yankees - has received much media attention.

NEXT MEETINGS: April 4, 6:30 - 7 p.m., ABRHS (before Town Meeting)
May 19, 7:30 p.m. - Conant School

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Summers
Director of Finance