

Thomaston Board of Education  
Special Meeting  
Monday, March 30, 2009  
Thomaston Town Hall  
Meeting Room One  
7:00 p.m.



Board Members Present:

Laurie Barrett, Deborah April, Joanne Gilland (arrived 7:05 p.m.), Holly Herbert, Cheryl Roberts, and Laura Rielely

Board Members Absent:

Steve Catania, Lucy Santopietro, Beth Yaffe

Also Present:

Superintendent, Lynda Mitchell; Business Manager, Susan Laone; Board Clerk, Patricia George; Thomaston Center School Principal, James Diorio; Thomaston High School Vice Principal, John Perrucci; and Pupil Services Director, Nancy Schyner

I. Call to Order:

Board Chair, Laurie Barrett, called to order the Special Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:02 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda:

On a motion made by Deborah April and seconded by Cheryl Roberts to approve/accept the agenda as presented; motion carried unanimously.

III. Stimulus Funding Update:

Superintendent, Lynda Mitchell and Business Manager, Sue Laone provided the Board with information regarding the Stimulus Funds. These funds are made available to stabilize local educational operations. The major issue concerning the funds is the flexibility on how these dollars could be utilized.

It would be the Board's responsibility to identify initiatives for the expenditure of the funds in alignment with the protocols outlined by the government.

IV. Boiler Update – Black Rock School:

Principal, Paul Johnson, provided the Board with a handout regarding the boilers at Black Rock School. The handout offered a brief background on the boilers, photos depicting leaking sections and several business cards of repair vendors.

Currently, there is an ad in the Waterbury Republican American soliciting proposals for the repair work. To give an idea of the cost, an estimate to replace two sections would exceed over \$9,000 with no guarantee. Mr. Johnson noted that this estimate was provided a year-and-a-half ago.

V. Adjournment:

On a motion made by Deborah April and seconded by Holly Herbert to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:09 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.