

**March 31, 2009**

**Exeter-West Greenwich**

**Regional School District**

**Minutes**

**Special Meeting**

**The Exeter-West Greenwich Regional School District School Committee held a Special Meeting/Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, in the High School Library. Members present: Sue DeSack, Chairperson; Teri Cicero, Vice-Chair; Mary Walsh; Valerie Zuercher; Mark Rafanelli; Robert Bollengier. Clerk Gregory Coutcher arrived late. Others present: Dr. Thomas Geismar, Superintendent; Robert Ross.**

**Called to Order at 6:05 PM**

**Approve Disney Field Trip for Senior High Band – Sr. High School band teacher Gregg Charest presented the senior high band trip proposal to the School Committee.**

**Motion to approve the Disney Field trip for the senior high band made by Member Bollengier and seconded by Member Rafanelli. Voted 6 – 0 in favor.**

**Budget Discussion/Charter Discussion/Workshop**

- Discussion regarding DFM announcement
- Discussion regarding facility arrangements for DFM
- Discussion regarding cuts
  - o Considerable discussion about athletics
  - o Athletics needs to take a hit
  - o Member Rafanelli voiced his objection to cuts in athletics
  - o Clerk Coutcher said that he objects to athletics being cut. Clerk Coutcher said that he does not think it is right to cut one area in total.
- Audience member West Greenwich Town Council President Bob Butler asked how the School Committee would market the charter amendment

**Executive Session - None**

**Motion to adjourn made by Member Bollengier, seconded by Member Walsh.**

**Voted 7 – 0 in favor.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.**

**Thomas J. Geismar**

**Superintendent of Schools**