

To be Approved 06/21/2005.

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**NEWPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL
Special Joint Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Monday, June 13, 2005**

MINUTES

Call to Order. Newport School Committee Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker called the Special Joint Meeting of the Newport School Committee and Newport City Council to order at 7:15 p.m. at the City of Newport Council Chambers. Attendance was as follows: School Committee Members: Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker, Vice Chairperson Robert J. Leary, David R. Carlin (absent), Hugo J. DeAscentis, Jr., Jo Eva Gaines, Dr. O. William Hilton, Jr., and Thomas S. Phelan; City Council Members: Mayor John Trifero, Vice Chairperson Jeanne-Marie Napolitano, Mary Connolly, Stephen Coyne, Charles Duncan, Colleen McGrath, and Stephen Waluk; School Department: Acting Superintendent of Schools Robert B. Power, Ed.D., Director of Special Education Linda Martin, Director of Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development Judith M. Droitcour (absent), Business Manager Bruce Alexander, Director of Property Services Paul Fagan, Coordinator of Human Resources and Information Services Fran Eames (absent), School Building Principals, Administrators, and School Committee Counsel Neil P. Galvin (absent). City of Newport Administration: City Manager James Smith, Finance Director Laura Sitrin, and Counsel Joseph Nicholson (absent).

ROLL CALL.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

1.0 Berkshire Advisors: School Management Study

1.1 Short-Term Recommendations. Berkshire Advisors Mike Walker and Maureen Costello-Shea distributed and presented to the City Council and School Committee their Short-Term Recommendations relative to the Newport Public Schools' Management Study. Review and discussion followed. Berkshire Advisors indicated that the Final Report should be released by mid-July, 2005.

2.0 Executive Session. No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment. At 8:33 p.m., Mr. DeAscentis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Hilton seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

Charles P. Shoemaker, M.D.
Chairperson

Robert B. Power, Ed.D.
Acting Clerk

