

**Welby Way School Site Council**  
**June 10, 2008 7:00 pm Library**

Attendance: Adria Metson, Audrey Burdzinski, Patricia Douglas, Kathy Gean, Theresa Gale, Ramon Olivares, Mauricio Aranda, Gary Mioreanu, Valerie Plaisance, Mary Tuszynski, Debra Shallman-Blick, Jennifer King, Johanna Johnston, Beth King, Susan Klein, Nancy Brennan, Catherine Comeau, Linda Kosoff, Kelly Benning, Joyce Lin, Wendie Breitenfeld-Slezinger, Cory Potter.

Tricia Douglas moved to approve minutes; seconded by Mauricio Aranda.

Budget – Audrey and Adria: Discussion of budget cuts and number of classes/teachers, etc. (Handout of Mr. Merritt's letter to teachers). Discussion of the principals' "roadshow" including permits, and projections for number of students for next year. Ten new permits have been allowed for the 2008-2009 school year for the home school. Our enrollment indicates that we will lose one first grade class and teacher. Magnet School has 14 classes, with 14 teachers, and will be increasing the enrollment by 29 students. Mrs. Silverstein has right to return to Welby since her position as Math Coach has been eliminated, leaving Mrs. Janowski as the least-senior teacher. Unless more students enroll at Welby, Mrs. Janowski's position will be cut. Lots of parent support for Mrs. Janowski and much discussion about how to retain her. Suggestion made that we take the additional 29 students and, rather than increase existing class sizes, simply create another class of 29 and keep Mrs. Janowski. Next step suggested by parents is to organize the parents to write letters, make phone calls, protest, etc.

End of Year Events – Adria: Discussion of upcoming end-of-year activities and minimum day schedule.

School beautification – Audrey: We will know Tuesday if we won.

Governor's Fitness Challenge - Adria: We've moved into the next category. Essays to be written about how we incorporate and teach physical fitness; possibility of winning \$5000. If we go on to win the grand prize, it is a \$100,000 fitness facility.

2008/2009 Calendar – Audrey: Copy of 2008/2009 calendar distributed. Comment made that consecutive minimum days are a hardship for parents.

Welcome back Picnic: Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Adjourned at 8 pm