

**WESTPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education**

DATE: May 19, 2009

KIND: Annual Meeting, Budget Vote, Board Member Election & Bus Purchase Vote

TIME: 12:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

PLACE: Westport Central School – Lobby Outside Bulles Auditorium

The Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of the Westport Central School District, Essex County, New York was called to order at 12:00 PM, prevailing time, by Chairperson, Jana Atwell for the purpose of voting on (1) the proposed School District Budget for the 2009 – 2010 school year, as approved by the Board of Education, (2) to elect one Board of Education member for a five (5) year term commencing July 1, 2009 and expiring on June 30, 2014, and (3) to authorize the purchase of one sixty-five (65) passenger bus and the expenditure of a gross sum not to exceed eighty-five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$85,900) and the use of eighty-five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$85,900) from the Bus Reserve fund to pay for the bus in full.

At 9:00 PM, prevailing time, the Chairperson announced that all qualified voters present in the polling place had been allowed to vote and thereby declared the polls closed.

Immediately upon the close of the polls, the following Inspectors and Clerks of Election proceeded to canvass the vote: Brenda Drummond, Robin Stoddard, Judy Napper, Wayne Napper and Jana Atwell.

The ballots which were cast between the hours of 12:00 PM and 9:00 PM were tallied first, followed by the absentee ballots, which were opened, shuffled and left remaining in a folded position until the count was taken.

The following report was made by the District Clerk and Chairperson, Jana Atwell:

Total number of ballots cast regarding the school budget: 334
(This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.)

Number of yes votes in favor of the adoption of the school budget: 189
Number of no votes opposed to the adoption of the school budget: 143
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 2
Number of ballots left blank: 0

TOTAL: 334

The proposed **school budget was declared to be passed.**

Total number of ballots regarding the election of a school board member: 333
(This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.)

Number of votes cast in favor of Suzanne B. Russell: 271
Number of write-in votes in favor of Paul Spooner: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of George King: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Ulrich Hoffman: 3
Number of write-in votes in favor of David Goldwasser: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Penny Conway: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Jim Bob Joe: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Bruce Ware: 2
Number of write-in votes in favor of Anyone Else: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Sam Sherman: 3
Number of write-in votes in favor of Wayne Napper: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Sandra Lashomb: 1

Number of write-in votes in favor of Benjamin Sudduth: 2
Number of write-in votes in favor of Pee Wee Herman: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Sheila Borden: 2
Number of write-in votes in favor of Janice Hainer: 1
Number of write-in votes in favor of Mickey Mouse: 1
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 7
Number of ballots left blank: 32

TOTAL: 333

Suzanne B. Russell was elected to the Board of Education for the five (5) year term commencing July 1, 2009 and expiring on June 30, 2014.

Total number of ballots regarding the purchase of a sixty-five (65) passenger bus: 334
(This figure includes 13 absentee ballots).

Number of yes votes in favor of the purchase of a bus: 215
Number of no votes opposed to the purchase of a bus: 115
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 3
Number of ballots left blank: 1

TOTAL: 334

The Board of Education is **authorized to purchase one sixty-five passenger bus** and the expenditure of a gross sum not to exceed eighty-five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$85,900) and the use of the sum of eighty-five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$85,900) from the Bus Reserve fund to pay for the bus in full.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Date approved by the Board of Education: June 11, 2009

Jana Atwell, District Clerk