# **BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES** SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM August 15, 2011

Present: Ms. Laurie Graham, Chair

Mr. Kevin Cunningham

Ms. Laurie Slap

Mr. Dan Scharfman

Ms. Rebecca Vose

Dr. Thomas Kingston, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Janice Darias, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Mr. Anthony DiCologero, Director of Business, Finance and Operations

## 1. **OPENING BUSINESS**

#### 1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Graham at 7:38 p.m. in the Conference Room of the School Administration Building. This was a joint meeting with members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Town Meeting Communications.

### 2. **MAJOR BUSINESS**

2.1 Discussion of the Initial Report and Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on **Town Meeting Communications** 

Bill Green, Co-Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, and Sue Pew, committee member, shared the recommendations of the committee, particularly as they related to the work of the School Committee and the School Department. Members of the School Committee asked questions about the recommendations and shared their ideas. Proposed changes to the annual Town Meeting calendar were discussed with respect to the timing of the budget process. The School Members agreed that it was beneficial to have two briefings (one for non-budget warrant articles, and one for budget warrant articles) prior to Town Meeting. The School Committee will add a "liaison to the Town Meeting Orientation" to their list of subcommittees and liaisons to be discussed at next week's retreat.

## 3. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:05 p.m. on a motion offered by Mr. Scharfman and seconded by Ms. Slap, it was

VOTED

unanimously (5-0) to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary