



## *School Committee*

### MINUTES OF THE CHELSEA SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 4 2011

APPROVED January 27, 2011

The Chelsea School Committee held its Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, January 4, 2011, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA. The purpose of the meeting was to establish the Roll Call order for 2011 and to elect and swear in School Committee officers for 2011.

Members Present: Rosemarie Carlisle, Michael Caulfield, Lucia Colon, Edward Ells, Ramona Foster, Ana Hernandez, Lisa Lineweaver, Morrie Seigal, and Melinda Alvarado-Vega

Also Present: Superintendent Thomas S. Kingston, School Business Manager and School Committee Clerk Barbara Martin, and City Clerk Deborah Clayman.

Senior Member Morrie Seigal presided

1. **The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance-**
3. **Establishment of Roll Call Order-** Members drew numbers to establish order of roll call. School Committee clerk, Barbara Martin called the roll and declared a quorum for voting purposes.

The drawing results were as follows:

1	Lucia Colon
2	Melinda Alvarado-Vega
3	Ramona Foster
4	Michael Caulfield
5	Morris Seigal
6	Rosemarie Carlisle
7	Lisa Lineweaver
8	Edward Ells
9	Ana Hernandez

4. **Election of Chairman.** – Mr. Seigal invited nominations for Chairman of the Chelsea School Committee for 2011. Mr. Caulfield nominated Edward Ells. As there were no further nominations, Mr. Seigal declared nominations closed and asked for a motion of affirmation.

By a roll call vote Mr. Ells was elected Chairman. City Clerk Deborah Clayman administered the oath of office to the newly elected Chairman.

5. **Election of Vice-Chairman-** Mr. Ells invited nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Chelsea School Committee for 2011. Mr. Seigal nominated Rosemarie Carlisle. As there were no further nominations, Mr. Ells declared nominations closed and asked for a motion of affirmation

By a roll call vote Mrs. Carlisle was elected Vice-Chairman. City Clerk Deborah Clayman administered the oath of office to the newly elected Vice-Chairman.

6. **Election of Delegate to the City Council-** Mr. Ells invited nominations for Delegate to the Chelsea City Council. Ms. Colon nominated Ana Hernandez. As there were no further nominations, Mr. Ells declared nominations closed and asked for a Motion of affirmation.

By a roll call vote Ms. Hernandez was elected School Committee Delegate to the Chelsea City Council. City Clerk Deborah Clayman administered the oath of office to the new Delegate to the City Council.

7. **Adoption of Rules** - Mr. Ells made the following motion: To continue with the rules for 2010 until such time as the subcommittee recommends otherwise. On a voice vote the Committee unanimously

voted in favor of continuing with the rules for 2010 until such time as the subcommittee recommends otherwise.

At this time Chairman Ells spoke on the year ahead and the responsibility of the School Committee.

Mr. Ells presented a plaque to outgoing Chairman Lisa Lineweaver. Ms. Lineweaver then presented outgoing Vice-Chairman Ed Ells and 2010 Delegate to the Chelsea City Council Rosemarie Carlisle with Certificates of Appreciation

Chairman Ells announced that in accordance with the adopted rules, he is designating four working subcommittees of the Committee for 2011: Budget & Finance, Policies & Procedures, Human Resources, and Curriculum & Instruction. In accordance with School Committee practice, any member may attend any subcommittee meeting—all of which are public meetings—and may vote on any matters upon which the subcommittee decides to act.

However, each subcommittee will have two regular members of the School Committee officially appointed to the subcommittee. The obligation of the appointed members will be to attend subcommittee meetings and report back to the full School Committee. Therefore, Mr. Ells invited all members to send to Barbara Martin by Friday, January 7, 2011, their first, second, and third preferences for subcommittee assignments. The Chairperson sits *ex officio* on all subcommittees.

**9. Adjournment-** The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

**Recorded by**

**Barbara A. Martin  
School Business Manager  
Clerk to the Chelsea School Committee**