I. A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Amuso called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

B. MOMENT OF SILENCE

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Kathleen Amuso, Chairperson
Hon. Mayor James Ruberto
Alfred Barbalunga
Churchill Cotton
Daniel Elias
Carmen C. Massimiano, Jr.
Erin Sullivan
Katherine Yon

Chairperson Amuso declared a quorum.

II. A. PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC

NONE

B. SCHOOL COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

NONE

III. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

A. DEMOGRAPHY AND ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Mr. John Kennedy, Demographic Data Specialist for NESDEC, provided an overview of the population of Pittsfield compared to the state and other districts in Berkshire County over the past ten years. He talked about the regional population from 1990-2008 and the population under the age of 18. Mr. Kennedy reviewed the population by race, origin, and the number of births to Pittsfield residents, as well as the number of persons per household and the changes in the household growth from 1980 to 2000. In addition to population data, Mr. Kennedy reviewed the Pittsfield housing, such as the number of sales, asking price and requests per building permits. He finalized his presentation by reviewing assumptions for school-by-school projections and demographic highlights. A copy of the report is attached.
VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. ITEMS OF NEGOTIATIONS

Motion by Erin Sullivan, seconded by Daniel Elias, that the School Committee go into Executive Session for Items of Negotiations, was by roll call vote unanimously approved.

The Committee went into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

Motion by Erin Sullivan, seconded by Daniel Elias, that the School Committee return to the regular order of business, was by vote unanimously approved.

The Committee returned to the regular order of Business at 8:36 p.m.

Let the record show that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

VIII. FUTURE BUSINESS

Next Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2010, 7:00 P.M., Pittsfield High School.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Erin Sullivan, seconded by Daniel Elias, that the School Committee be adjourned, was by vote unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

ERIN SULLIVAN