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*Wednesday January 27, 2016
6:30 P.M.
Special Meeting Minutes
Dighton Elementary School*

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CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Patrick Menges called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Patrick Menges, Nancy Goulart, Building Commissioner James Aguiar, Facilities Director Mr. Nappi and volunteer liaison to the board of health, Peter Caron.

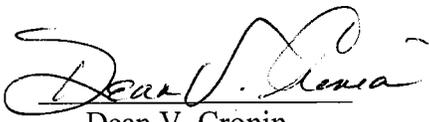
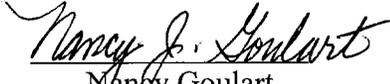
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all.

Chairman Patrick Menges stated that the on-going heating problem and the long history (over 5 years according to Jim Aguiar, Building Commissioner) concerning the Dighton Elementary School prompted the Board of Health to meet with school officials to see what can be done to ensure that there will be sufficient heat for the balance of this winter. DISCUSSION re one boiler experienced a flame failure that left four classrooms at the end of the south wing without heat. Children from those rooms went to the cafeteria until heat could be restored. The elementary school was second on the list of schools with heating problems that needed to be addressed. The high school was the first school on the list because it did not have functioning boilers to heat the school. A temporary boiler was used to keep the facility operating last year and since that time, new state-of-the-art units have been installed.

Mr. David Nappi, Facilities Manager, described what occurred when heat was lost in four classrooms due to the failure of the furnace to ignite. Lack of maintenance over the years has contributed to the ongoing problems. There will be a presentation prepared by Trane concerning the energy audit with resulting recommendations and costs at the school committee meeting on February 9, 2016. During the discussion the present monitoring was

explained. Suggestions to get through the rest of this heating season included an alarm system that would notify the communications center and specific employees if the temperature at the school drops below a certain number. The Selectmen explained that the town wanted to see what it could do working with the district to make sure that whatever is needed will be provided. Consensus was that the town will be notified if there is there is a heating problem at the school(s) and that steps will be taken to closely monitor the boiler(s) during the approximately 2 ½ months left of winter. Concerns were not only about the health and safety of the children but also the disruption in the learning process.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Selectman Nany Goulart, Patrick Menges stepped down to second, and VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 P.M. Vote:
UNANIMOUS

 Patrick W. Menges Chairman	 Dean V. Cronin Clerk	 Nancy Goulart Member
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