

**WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**\*AGENDA**

(Agenda Subject to Modification in Accordance with Law)

**PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

7:30 p.m. Staples High School, Cafeteria B (Room 301)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION**

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (15 MINUTES)**

**MINUTES: January 24, 25, 31, 2011 and February 7, 2011**

**RECOGNITION: Board of Education Appreciation**

Dr. Landon

**PRESENTATION: Science Research Program; Computer Sciences**

John Dodig  
AJ Scheetz  
Brian Fagan

**PRESENTATION: Update Concerning Staples H.S. Concession Stand**

Dan DeVito  
Marty Lisevick

**DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

1. Acceptance of Gift (Encl.) Dr. Landon
2. Approval of Contract with Maintainers dated July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013 Ms. Cion

**DISCUSSION:**

1. Policy P3520: Green Cleaning Programs (Encl.) Dr. Landon

**ADJOURNMENT**

\*A 2/3 vote is required to go to executive session, to add a topic to the agenda of a regular meeting, or to start a new topic after 10:30 p.m. The meeting can also be viewed on cable TV on channel 78.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WELCOME USING THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:**

- Comment on non-agenda topics will occur during the first 15 minutes *except* when staff or guest presentations are scheduled.
- Board will not engage in dialogue on non-agenda items.
- Public may speak as agenda topics come up for discussion or information.
- Speakers on non-agenda items are limited to 2 minutes each, except by prior arrangement with chair.
- Speakers on agenda items are limited to 3 minutes each, except by prior arrangement with chair.
- Speakers must give name and use microphone.
- Responses to questions may be deferred if answers not immediately available.
- Public comment is normally not invited for topics listed for action after having been publicly discussed at one or more meetings.

# WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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To: Members of the Board of Education  
From: Elliott Landon  
Subject: Acceptance of Gifts  
Date: March 7, 2011

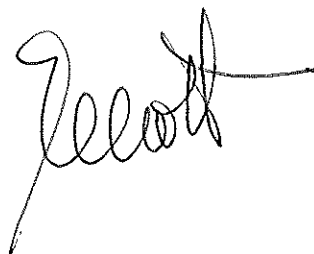
I am pleased to inform you that the *Gudis Family Foundation* has made a donation to Staples High School in the amount of \$5,000 in support of the 2010-11 Spectacular Staples Student Challenge, a program unique to the Westport Public Schools that is modeled after the Moody's Math Challenge. The Spectacular Staples Student Challenge differs from the Moody's Math Challenge in that it will be more interdisciplinary, rather than being focused primarily on mathematics. As such, it supports the school goal of providing students with challenging opportunities to solve real world problems and is consistent with that portion of the newly-adopted Board of Education Mission Statement that speaks to fostering critical and creative thinking and collaborative problem solving.

As of this date, it appears that we will have twelve teams participating in this event. Each team will have approximately five students. Between the contributions of *Melissa and Doug* and the *Gudis Family Foundation* the prize money now totals \$12,500 with the first place team to receive \$6000; the second place team \$4500; and, the third place team \$2000. The prize money to each team will be distributed evenly to each member of the winning teams, but it will be held in the Staples Student Activity Account until such time as it can be distributed as partial payment towards tuition to the colleges that the winning students will be attending.

I recommend acceptance of this very generous gift.

## ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

**Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation a gift of \$5,000 from the *Gudis Family Foundation* as a contribution in support of prize money for the students participating on the winning teams in the 2010-11 Spectacular Staples Student Challenge.**



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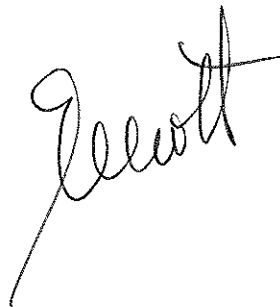
To: Members of the Board of Education  
From: Elliott Landon  
Subject: Policy P3520/Green Cleaning Programs  
Date: March 7, 2011

I have enclosed for your review a single policy for inclusion in the Board of Education Policy Manual. We have been advised by our attorneys at Shipman & Goodwin that the Board is required to adopt such a policy so that it may be in compliance with the terms and provisions of Public Act 09-81.

This policy requires the Board of Education to implement a green cleaning program in all school buildings and facilities making use of environmentally preferable cleaning products.

Presently, we are in full compliance with the law which becomes effective July 1, 2011. Through the efforts of Nancy Harris and JoAnn Duncan, our Tools for Schools Coordinator, we have implemented a comprehensive Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Program that addresses all the matters that have been incorporated into the new law.

This policy is being submitted to you only for review at this time. Board of Education approval of the policy will be requested at the meeting of March 21.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elliott", is written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the page.

**Business/Non-Instructional Operations**

**Buildings**

**GREEN CLEANING PROGRAMS**

It is the policy of the Westport Board of Education, on or before July 1, 2011, to implement a green cleaning program in which the Board procures and properly uses environmentally preferable cleaning products in school buildings and facilities.

The Westport Board of Education shall provide the staff of each school and, upon request, the parents and guardians of each child enrolled in each school with a written statement of the school district's green cleaning program. Such notice shall include (1) the types and names of environmentally preferable cleaning products being applied in schools, (2) the location of the application of such cleaning products in the school buildings and facilities, (3) the schedule of when such cleaning products are applied in the school buildings and facilities, (4) the statement, "No parent, guardian, teacher or staff member may bring into the school facility any consumer product which is intended to clean, deodorize, sanitize or disinfect" and (5) the name of the school administrator, or a designee, who may be contacted for further information. Such notice shall be provided to the parents or guardians of any child who transfers to a school during the school year and to staff hired during the school year.

The Westport Board of Education shall make such notice, as well as the report submitted to the Department of Education pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-220 of the general statutes (i.e. required report on condition of facilities, action taken to implement the Board's long-term school building program, indoor air quality and green cleaning program), available on its web site and the web site of each school under such board's jurisdiction.

Legal References:

Connecticut General Statutes:  
§10-220(a)

Public Act 09-81 An Act Concerning Green Cleaning Products in Schools

Policy Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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