

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**September 10, 2009**

The special meeting of the Board of Education of the Portage Public Schools held on Thursday, September 10, 2009, was called to order at 8:03 a.m. by President Whistler in the Superintendent's Conference Room of the Administration Building, 8111 S. Westnedge, Portage, Michigan.

Board Trustees Present:       Melanie Kurdys, Deb Polderman (left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.), Dale Posthumus, Rusty Rathburn, Randy Van Antwerp, Jennifer Whistler, and John Whyte

Board Trustees Absent:       None

Others Present:               Marsha Wells, Superintendent; Ric Perry, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services; and Mike Washburn, Facilitator

**REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEM**

**Motion offered by Mrs. Polderman, supported by Mr. Whyte, that the Board of Education Ratify the 2009/10 Contract with the Portage Education Association, as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 6-1.**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Motion offered by Mrs. Polderman, supported by Mrs. Kurdys, that the Board of Education move into closed session for the purpose of discussing periodic personnel evaluations [Section 8 (a) of the Open Meetings Act].**

**Upon a roll call vote, all Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.**

The Board moved into closed session at 8:14 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 10:40 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Wells  
Secretary Pro Tem