

Washington West Supervisory Union Executive Committee
&
Act 46 Study Committee
APPROVED AS AMENDED Meeting Minutes for October 14, 2015
Harwood Union High School Library

WWEC Board Members Present: Doug Mosle (Fayston), Rosemarie White (Harwood), Garrett MacCurtain (Harwood), Kate O'Neill (Moretown), Eve Frankel (Chair, Waitsfield), Rob Rosen (Warren), Jason Gibbs (Waterbury-Duxbury), Alex Thomsen (Waterbury-Duxbury)

Act 46 Study Committee Members Present: Jill Ellis (Fayston), Rosemarie White (Harwood ex-officio), Garrett MacCurtain (Harwood ex-officio), Gabe Gilman (Moretown), Christine Sullivan (Waitsfield), Rob Rosen (Warren), Jason Gibbs (W-D for Waterbury), Alex Thomsen (W-D for Waterbury), Sam Jackson (W-D for Duxbury)

Other Board Members Present: Alycia Biondo (Warren alternate)

WWSU Administrators: Brigid Nease, Michelle Baker, Donarae Dawson

Other: Jeff Mahre (ACT 46 consultant), Walter Nardelli (ACT 46 consultant), Channel 44

- 1) Meeting called to order 5:45.
- 2) Eve Frankel moves to approve amended 9/23/15 meeting notes, Gabe Gilman seconds, all in favor.
- 3) STUDY COMMITTEE ACTION: Sam Jackson moves to nominate Gabe Gilman as study committee chair, Rob Rosen seconds, all in favor.
- 4) STUDY COMMITTEE ACTION: Alex Thomsen moves to nominate Christine Sullivan as vice chair, Jill Ellis seconds, all in favor.
- 5) WWEC ACTION: Gabe Gilman nominates Brigid Nease as negotiator for the support staff contract, Rob Rosen seconds, all in favor.
- 6) WWEC ACTION: Rosemarie White moves to approve board warrants totaling \$25,067.12, Kate O'Neill seconds, all in favor.
- 7) The ACT 46 Consultants Presented an Overview presentation on ACT 46 and examples of what other folks are doing to expand educational opportunities for their districts under ACT 46.
- 8) Michelle Baker made a presentation of:
 - a) Student enrollments over the last 10 years.
 - b) Equalized tax rates over the last 10 years.
 - c) Preliminary listing of potential reductions associated with an accelerated merger.
- 9) Discussion of next steps for the group.
- 10) All members are all supposed to go back to our local boards and ask:
 - a) Benefits and negatives of change?
 - b) What changes do you want to consider?
- 11) Eve, Gabe, and Brigid need to come up with an agenda plan for next meeting.
- 12) Meeting adjourned for both groups at 9:00 PM, all in favor.

Minutes recorded by Rob Rosen