

Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union #52
Board Meeting
Monday, May 24, 2021
APPROVED Minutes

Present at the Meeting:

Board: Amy McMullen, Nicole Buck, Kris Garnjost, Scott Richardson, Elizabeth Burrows, Bill Yates, Mark Yuengling, Rebecca Roisman, Annemarie Redmond, Jaimie Turner, Colleen Spence, and Nancy Pedrick.

Admin: Katie Ahern, Angie Ladeau, Christine Bourne, Colleen DeSchamp, Kate Ryan, Jen Aldrich, and Jeanmarie Oakman.

Public: Alyssa McDermott, Ann Deturk, Annette Jennings, Beth Roy, Beth Ziegler, Bethany Keefe, Carrie Jewell, Catharine Engwall, Chelsea Chase, Christian Craig, Christine Osgood, Edie Root, Elizabeth Craig, Ethan McNaughton, Jacqueline Antonvich, Jaime Richardson, Jaimie Bernstein, Jaimie Turner, Jennifer Durham, Julie Cahoon, Kelly O'Brien, Kirsten McNamara, Kristen Huebner, Larissa McAree, Leanna Robinson, Linda Johnston, Lora Powers, Lori Small, Michele Summarsell, Patti Gray, Paul Doiron, Star Eitapence, Zachary Shambo and Sarah Stewart-Taylor.

I. Call to Order @ 6:36 p.m. by Angie Ladeau

Reorganization

- Nomination and election of Chairperson (A Ladeau presiding)
Motion to nominate Amy McMullen: Bill Yates
2nd: Mark Yuengling
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and election of Vice Chairperson
Motion to nominate Bill Yates: Nancy Pedrick
2nd: Rebecca Roisman
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and election of Clerk of the Board
Motion to nominate Colleen Spence: Annemarie Redmond
2nd: Kris Garnjost
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and election of Treasurer of the Board
Motion to nominate Scott Richardson: Bill Yates
2nd: Nancy Pedrick
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and election of Vice Treasurer of the Board
Motion to nominate Nancy Pedrick: Scott Richardson
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and election of Signers of the Manifest
Motion to nominate Bill Yates (back up Rebecca Roisman): Elizabeth Burrows
2nd:
Vote: 12-0-0
- Nomination and representatives to Budget Committee Members
Colleen Spence, Jaimie Turner, and Rebecca Roisman

Motion to nominate: Nicole Buck

Vote: 12-0-0

- Designation of Official Newspaper
Local papers- Valley News, Eagle Times, VT Standard, and VT Digger
Vote:12-0-0
- Establishment of regular time, place, and date of monthly meeting.
Meeting 4th Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., via Google meets.
Vote: 12-0-0

II. **Changes/Additions to the Agenda**

Add under action items-SU Treasurer report

III. **Approval of Minutes**

a) April 26, 2021

Motion: Scott Richardson

2nd: Nicole Buck

Vote: 12-0-0

IV. **Public Participation/Announcements**

None.

Board member Bill Yate's daughter graduated from Wheaton College.

Windsor HS had a prom, and used the rear theater stage for the grand march.

V. **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Baker's wife had surgery so he is not available for a meeting.

VI. **Items for Discussion**

a) *Recovery Plan/ESSER Update and Draft (Angie Ladeau)*

This draft will be sent to the AOE in the coming weeks. A call to community members was made to solicit feedback from them about the plan. URL shared: <https://tinyurl.com/wsesurecover>. ESSER I funds will be used for Summer 2021 plans, and ESSER II funds are for addressing learning loss and post-pandemic conditions, and will run through Sept 2023. ESSER III focuses on sustainable systems and runs through Sept 2024. The draft plan has to be submitted by 6/1/21. We can make changes as we go, it will run 6/1/21-9/30/23. The committee will be in touch with the public for feedback throughout the summer as they begin to focus on ESSER III funds. This plan, which is utilizing ESSER II funds, focuses \$s in the 3 pillar areas that are student indicators for success: 1-Academic achievement and success, 2-Student engagement and truancy, 3-Social and Emotional Health. 34.5% of the funds used bring support to all 3 areas. 28.5% is focused on academic achievement. 18.9% is in infrastructure and is what allowed for centralization of the purchasing system @ SU. Of the budget, 12.4% is covering Weathersfield, Hartland 14.99%, MASD 25.9%, and SU wide 46.99%. Made investments through grants and other local funding in support of these plans by the hiring of Behavioral Interventionists, school counselors/nurses, and mental health staff. Proposed investments under the SSER II funding are: summer academy, interventionists, assistant recovery coordinator, middle level model, data tools and literacy, and teaching staff.

Questions from the public and board were raised, like how will we pay for the positions once the grant funds run out? It would be helpful if the community heard the results from surveys, not just anecdotes. They would love to see a breakdown of the issue, the fix, and the \$s from the budget tied to the fix.

b) Scheduling 2021/2022

There were a lot of questions and discussions from the public about the suggested schedule. Arrival is 750-8am, and dismissal is 2-215pm across the SU.

c) Policies

1) WSESU Anti-Racism Policy (2nd Reading)

On the last page for the bold print where it says quarterly reporting, it was mentioned given the context of the policy and times we are in likely discussion around this topic might happen on a more frequent basis in addition to the formal quarterly reporting. This will be on the next agenda for the 3rd reading, and possible adoption.

2) C29 Equity Policy (2nd reading)

Remove the dash above the T on page 2.

Motion to accept: Bill Yates

2nd: Kris Garnjost

Vote: 12-0-0

d) COVID Updates

It was shared that the legislation put a 2yr pause on the excessive spending threshold, so for this year and next while they work on future legislation in the form of adjustments to the weighting system.

e) SU Board Goals

Tabled for the next meeting due to time.

f) SU Treasurer report-Scott and report from Nancy Pedrick

The Payroll and SU account are at the same bank. Due to normal bank rules for daily spending transactions thresholds, they needed to be adjusted to compensate when both of those transactions process on the same day. The form was signed by the treasurer to allow that adjusted level so all transactions can be processed without issue.

VII. **Items for Action**

None

VIII. **Setting the Next Agenda**

Date: 6/28 @ 6:30 p.m.

Items: Antiracism Policy, Board goals, recovery plan discussion and ESSER III, negotiations, resignations and new hires.

IX. **Adjournment**

Motion: Nicole Buck

2nd: Rebecca Roisman

Vote: 12-0-0