

Advisory Committee on Efficiency (ACE)

Meeting Minutes

March 2nd, 2026

Location: Holbrook Middle School

Members Present: *Chip Haskell, Brenda DeRoche, Bernadene Brownell, Karen Quimby, Jake Burtchell, James Spencer, Audra Leland, Jade Oakman, Krista Vining-Means, Julianna Prentiss, David McCluskey, Becky Heikkinen, Whitney Gould-Cookson*

Absent members: *Thomas Smith, Becca Jordan, Trish Eldridge, Jamie Youngblood*

Others Present: Sheila Caldwell RSU #63 Interim Superintendent

Call Meeting to Order

Chip Haskell, ACE committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:35pm, followed by the flag salute

02/01/2026 minutes approval

Motion by Jade Oakman to approve minutes with a second by Karen Quimby

Discussion: Approve with edits of the motion to adjourn the meeting was Julianna Prentiss who made the motion not Audra Leland

Vote: yes- unanimous Motion passed

Sub-Committees

1. Possible second survey

A. Are you in favor of closing a school, and consolidating to 2 schools?

Motion by Karen Quimby with a second by Julianna Prentiss to send a second survey out with this one question.

Discussion: Was discussed to ask the school board to send this vs us do to the timeline we are fast approaching of the ACE Committee ending, along with what we will do with the information, along with concerns of whether the towns are able to make an educated decision with the information provided

Vote- 6 yes, 6 no - motion fails no second survey will be sent

2. Final Report-

Julianna Prentiss made a motion with a second by Jade Oakman to create a final report with a member from each town, to include Chip Haskell, Karen Quimby and Jade Oakman

Discussion- Concerns of the final draft of floor plans not being accurate and wanting input from Sheila Caldwell and Bernadine Brownell to assist- Sheila stated she will assist with this and Chip, Karen and Jade agreed to discuss with Sheila to get assistance

Vote- Motion Passed unanimous

3. 3 &4 year old Service Requirements

Krista Vining- Means gave an update stating that starting in the 26-27 school year the school district will integrate with the 4 year old children involved with CDS in our district-and the 2027-2028 school year will include 3 year olds, in which a separate classroom would be required- The state will come into the school and give recommendations on what will be needed and the state will also assist with funds after the needs are identified. Krista will update more to the school board at the next meeting, 03/23/2026.

Next Meeting Date

03/23/2026- @ 5:30pm Holden Elementary School

Adjournment 6:00pm

Motion to adjourn by Karen Quimby with a second by Julianna Prentiss

Motion passed- unanimous

Approved by Committee 03/23/2026

Accepted by Board 04/27/2026