

Withdrawal Committee

Minutes

April 30, 2012

Kennebunk Elementary School – Room A102

7:00 p.m.

Present:

Arundel Members: Diane Robbins, Tom Danylik, Jon Renell, Jack Turcotte

RSU Members: Norm Archer, Maureen King, Art LeBlanc, Frank Drigotas, Matt Fadiman

Staff: Andrew Dolloff

Andrew Dolloff presented group norms and explained the role of each committee. Arundel's committee is clearly spelled out in law; RSU committee is not mentioned.

Chairs were elected for each committee:

Arundel: Jack Turcotte

RSU21: Frank Drigotas

Within 90 days of today, the committees must have agreement to present to commissioner

Andrew pointed out that there are parts of the plan that the Arundel committee must write; the RSU committee will be active in the negotiating of plan. The statute identifies 11 items that must be included in the plan.

Tom shared that Arundel is hiring a consultant to get their plan together; Planning Decisions will be collecting data and they will provide Arundel with the report.

It was agreed a lot of detail that must go beyond the 11 points to make sure the taxpayers of Arundel get the info they need

Art stated that assets and fund balances were listed at the time of the district coming together; how hard will it be to take those and start from there to make a list?

Andrew stated that what may be difficult is dealing with itinerant staff (over one dozen employees) that provide services; example of OT, PT, foreign language teachers, PE, art, music; individuals will be affected and we need to be thoughtful

Jon still doesn't see any problems with the districts collaborating on these items.

Matt asked that we identify the shared positions and how much time is spent in each building.

Andrew said he will work on asset reports, itinerants, work done—available at next meeting, along with collective bargaining agreements and lengths.

Andrew stated that the intent is for Arundel to vote in November. It is a tight timeline; will push the committees to go at this pretty hard. Monday July 30 is the latest date to submit a proposal to commissioner and be on time for a November vote.

Type of data and info

1. calendar and timeline
2. asset list
3. contract deadlines; contracts
4. itinerant staff and job descriptions/times
5. staff at MLD
6. how many students are enrolled in other towns' schools? (except for private tuitioned students)
7. major capital contributions
8. out of district placements for Special Ed and costs
9. copies of withdrawals already approved
10. proposal for assets and lease agreements
11. services provided
12. subscriptions: online purchase orders; email system; website; "soft" items such as these and video streaming; IT segment will be large

Next meeting: May 15 at 7:00 p.m.