

Withdrawal Committee

Minutes

July 2, 2012

Kennebunk Elementary School – Room A102

6:00 p.m.

Present:

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

RSU Members: Maureen King, Frank Drigotas

Staff: Andrew Dolloff

Andrew Dolloff presented the RSU Draft Agreement as prepared by the RSU attorney, and highlighted the differences between the RSU document (attached) and the Arundel document.

There is conceptual agreement around student enrollment and the fact that the law provides for: (1) one year of continued enrollment for Arundel students in grades K-5 in RSU 21 schools at the town's expense, (2) that high school choice will remain in effect for the duration of the contract, and (3) that middle schoolers in Arundel shall not be able to attend MSK unless the parents pay tuition.

Financial considerations remain a point of disagreement, both the amount due and the timeline for payment. Arundel has stated that if they owe the RSU money, they would like the option to pay over eight years, while if the RSU owes them money, they would like it paid immediately. The RSU has stated that the payment schedule should be the same regardless of which entity is paying.

Andrew was asked to provide more detailed history on the fund balance – where that money came from and how it has been accounted for through each budget cycle.

There is also a need to understand how tuitioned students should be accounted for in the state's EPS calculations.

Next Meeting:

July 12, 6:00 p.m.