

Approved Jamaica School Board Minutes  
Tuesday, July 21, 2019 – 6:30 PM at JVS

Convened 6:32

No changes to this agenda.

Tom moved to approve the Minutes of 6/16/15 as corrected (5/6 grade teacher instead of 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. Second by Heather.  
Unanimous.

Pay Order #9 \$7266.89 (FY15)  
PO #10 \$16,383.61 (FY16)

Tom moved to approve. Heather seconded. Unanimously approved.

Principal's Report – see attached.

Tom moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Bridget Cole as grade 5/6 teacher for the 2015- 2016 school year. Ms. Cole will replace Mr. Cragen who took a 5/6 teaching position at NewBrook Elementary School.

Tom moved to approve the Abby Foods contract for food service for 2015-2016.  
Amber seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting recessed at 7:00 to reconvene as a joint meeting with the Townshend School Board re: Act 46.

Summary presentations re: the process and intention of Act 46 were made by Representative Emily Long, Rep. Oliver Olsen, and Stephen Morse, Vermont State Board of Education Chairman. The overall objective is to improve the quality and equity of education opportunities for our students while making the use of the very substantial amount of money we invest now. This law is historic which may save money in the end but providing an equitable education for every Vermont child. School districts that get involved with restructuring governance early in the game will have the support of State Board of Education. The earlier boards to restructure, the more financial incentives received.

Q& A ensued, the following being an example:

1. If the school districts formed a PK-6 SD with a single governing board, what would happen to L&G?. Wouldn't this require dissolving the LGUHSD? Who would govern it or own it?

A single board could govern L&G and provide choice to all towns 7-12 or 9-12 or some combinations of similar choice towns depending on the Articles of Agreement for the Modified Unified Union School District.

See joint board meeting minutes recorded by Judy Hawkins.

Reconvened at 8:40

G11 Acceptable Use of Internet Policy – Amber moved to adopt. Tom seconded. Unanimously approved.

F25.1 Tom moved to approve Truancy Policy. Ann seconded. Unanimously approved

The Board accepted the resignation of Stephanie A. as the representative to the full WCSU Board with regret. Ann R. was appointed unanimously.

Tom moved the Board unanimously appointed Ann R. as the voting representative for the WCSU Board Executive Committee in place of Stephanie. Unanimous consent.

Heather will attend the WCSU Board Ex. Com. meetings when available.

Tom moved to adjourn. Heather seconded. Adjourned 9:10

Respectfully submitted,  
Steven John, Superintendent