

***WINDHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING  
DRAFT MINUTES FOR 3/10/2016***

**Present:** Mickey Parker-Jennings, Carolyn Partridge, BJ Davis, Antje Ruppert, Gail Wyman, Kathy & Kord Scott

**Convene:** 9:03 am by Mickey Parker-Jennings

**Board Reorganization:**

Carolyn P. - Chair

Antje R. - Vice Chair

BJ D. - Clerk

Authorized signature: all members

Paper of record: Brattleboro Reformer

Meeting times/dates: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 4pm unless otherwise warned.

Truancy: Windham Sheriff

WCSU Policy Committee meeting: BJ D.

WCSU voting representatives: all members

Designated posts of warning: School, Town Office, Meeting House

**Act 46 election:** Antje R. moves to form a local Act 46 Study Group to study an alternative governance structure, BJ D. 2<sup>nd</sup>. This group would include all three board members and any community member willing to participate.

An alternative structure requires a minimum of 4 towns. Carolyn P. already spoke with the principal of Marlboro, a former Board member of Wardsboro, and Rich Werner, chair of the Dover Board. All of these districts are interested in a conversation with WES. This approach would allow us to keep our local boards, have our own budgets, and we would continue to cooperate with the WCSU. To qualify for such a structure, we will have to gather evidence on how we can better meet the goals of Act 46. This will include a census of the 0-5-year-olds in Windham (Kathy will look into this), a 10-year review of the standardized test scores (Mickey and Gail will look into this), and potentially a survey similar to the one conducted in Peacham, VT.

Antje R. suggests to also perform a side study on a reduction of supervisory unions in Vermont.

**Next Meeting:** April 3, 2017, at 4 pm

**Adjourn:** 5:40 pm