

***WINDHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES FOR 3/2/2015***

Call to Order: 3:07 pm

Present: Steven John, Mickey Parker-Jennings, Carolyn Partridge, Beth McDonald, Antje Ruppert, Danielle Hall, Gail Wyman, Bob Bingham, Ernie Friedly, Kord Scott, Dayle McLean, Nancy and Jerry Dyke

Minutes: No minutes for February because meeting was cancelled. Steven J. advised to document that and the postponed Budget Information Meeting with no action taken to be approved in April.

Bills and Pay Orders: Antje R. moves to approve pay orders 39 – 45, Carolyn P. 2nd.

Members of the Public: Danielle Hall from Penn State University researching supervisory unions, in particular small schools.
Gail Wyman, Bob Bingham, Ernie Friedly, Kord Scott, Dayle McLean, Nancy and Jerry Dyke.

Principal's Report: see attachment.

Superintendent's Report: no written report. Steven informed the board of a concept to provide public transportation for students at Leland & Gray to maintain jobs.

Old Business: n/a

New Business: Steven J. reminded the board about the Super Board meeting on March 25 at Leland & Gray and the Executive Board's recommendation of a new superintendent.

The board opened the floor to hear public concerns related to WES. Concerns included:

- Parents' complaining and wanting to shut the school down
- Lack of communication among parents, teachers, and community
- Getting community members more involved
- Perhaps an outside moderator should be involved
- There are always people who think that other schools are better
- What constitutes a good education?
- More transparency with regard to school operation and budget preparation
- Several Windham families are currently not using the school
- Attract more families to Windham
- Act 60/68 needs to be changed

More public meetings to follow

Next Meeting: March 3rd during Town Meeting.

Adjourn: 4:35 pm