

## **Superintendent's Report for the Winhall School Board**

**Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 5:00 P.M.**

Note: I am expected at the Jamaica Board Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

### **Student/Staff Learning**

Nothing new to report that pertains to Winhall.

### **Policy/Regulation**

1. Consider adopting policy E11: Banking and Investment you warned on 10/18/11. F20: Harassment of Students was warned on 1/6/11, but I have no date of adoption. Otherwise your board has adopted all policies required by law.
2. Frank has prepared the budget and warning for your Annual School District Meeting. Let us know how else my office may assist your board.
3. The Voluntary RED Committee met January 4. I will report on the latest developments. The RED Study's minutes and reports are posted on the WCSU website.

### **Finance/Accounting/Operations**

1. To date, the boards for L&G, Towshend, and NewBrook have approved proposed FY13 budgets to be warned for their annual meetings. The remaining seven school boards in the WCSU plan to adopt their proposals later this month.
2. Funding for the EEE Program in FY13 was approved as part of the Superintendent's Budget. In March, the WCSU Board intends to debate the method of allocating EEE expenses for FY14. Although L&G is not directly affected by this question, your voting representatives will be asked to make a decision on this issue unless they abstain.

### **Enrollment/Staffing**

1. Across the WCSU number of schools have added new students recently. This is a promising development, but L&G's enrollment is still projected to decline from 390 to 370 over the next three years. On the other hand, Winhall continues to see student enrollment exceed annual projections.
2. The "budget season" always reminds us of the importance of a school's equalized pupil count and the town's Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) on the projected school tax rate necessary to provide for our students' education.

### **Informational Items**

1. The Voluntary RED Study Committee Meeting will meet Wed., Feb. 1, at 7:00 P.M. in L&G's Library. The Committee will also meet March 21 (not on the usual first Wed. of the month).
2. Leland and Gray Annual Meeting will be Tues., February 7 at 7:30 P.M. in the Gym.
3. Australian ballot vote to approve the proposed FY13 L&G Budget will be Wednesday, February 8 in each of the five union towns.

4. The next WCSU Board Meeting will be Wed., March 28, 7:00 P.M. at Townshend for their annual organizational meeting and election of officers. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

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**WCSU will** ...place students at the center of our decision-making.  
...build trust and respect by acting ethically, transparently, and with integrity.  
...operate as a community of learners, committed to developing the skills and capabilities of all.  
...collaborate, share and seek creative solutions.