

# ***RPC***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

June 23, 2008

The Committee approved the minutes for the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Members Present:

The following persons were present: Charles Woodmancy, Rodney Farrar, William Digby, Tom Goulette, Brad Deane, Andrea Rollins, Cynthia Hall, Paul Bridge, Michelle Ward, Phyllis Cass, Charlotte Violette, Steve Foster, Ella Munday, Steve Crane, Julie Willcott, Peter Devine, Steve Gudroe, John Parola, Peter Cooley, Donna Olsen, Onie Lougee, Paul Stearns, Kevin Jordan, Gil Reynolds, and Ray Freve.

Voting:

Steve Foster made a Motion which John Parola seconded to have a cost sharing formula based on 50% students and 50% valuation. Kevin Jordan suggested a three year transition period. He recommended the current percentages for the towns remain the same as the additional local percentages they are at right now. Ray commented that a lot of the districts have a transition period built into their plans. Steve and John withdrew their motion. Discussion was had regarding how long the transition period should be and the formula for the additional local. It was agreed that we would use the three-year average of EPS for the local additional. The group reviewed the Sample Plan 1 on Page 33 of the Revised Working Template for the language regarding the Cost Sharing Formula and decided that the language would be used up to the semicolon. The year averages would change from two to three and FY2007 would be added before the FY2008 in two places.

Steve Foster made a motion which Peter Cooley seconded to use the language as revised in the Sample Plan 1. This transition plan will stay in place for three years and into the future unless the new RSU board decides to change it.

Charles Woodmancy called the motion. Three opposed, 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Item 4 of the agenda: Select staggered terms for initial Board of Directors. Tom Goulette made a motion to accept the table as presented. John Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Item 5 of the agenda: Discuss costs created by forming an RSU. Discussion was had regarding the costs of the RSU involving communication, technology, legal, and differences in contracts.

Item 6 of the Agenda: Discuss specific benefits versus problems from forming RSU. Tom Goulette mentioned that AP classes would benefit, as we will have more students signing up for AP classes. Another benefit will be more effective classes. Paul Stearns mentioned the benefit of school choice within the District; for example, Wellington children would have the benefit of being able to attend the Harmony School.

The group went over the plan to date. Item 9 of the plan has new language which Kevin had and that will be incorporated into the plan and presented at the next meeting.

As it was getting late, it was voted that we would hold our next meeting on Monday, July 7, 2008 at the Dexter Regional High School. Michelle Ward made the motion and Peter Devine seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.