

# **RPC**

## **Meeting Minutes**

July 7, 2008

### **I. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. on July 7, 2008 at Dexter Regional High School.

Peter Devine made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting; it was seconded by Cynthia Hall. Motion carried.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Ella Munday, Co-Chairman, Charles Woodmancy, William Digby, Rodney Farrar, Paul Bridge Co-Chair, Charlotte Violette, Michelle Ward, Peter Devine, Onie Lougee, Julie Willcott, Steve Foster, John Parola, Cynthia Hall, Dale Huff, Paul Stearns SAD #4 Supt., Gil Reynolds, Harmony Supt., Ray Freve, Facilitator, and Kevin Jordan SAD #46 Supt.

### **III. Voted:**

**Informational sheets were passed out regarding the actual figures on cost sharing for 13-B which was approved at the last meeting.**

**Steve Foster made a Motion and Charles Woodmancy seconded the Motion to have 13-A of the plan read as follows:**

**“The Regional Planning Committee recommends that the RSU board consider maintaining the current administrative staff through a practical transition period and consider the following administrative structure thereafter: One Superintendent, One Transportation Supervisor, One Special Services Director, One Special Services Assistant Director and One Maintenance Supervisor.” Motion carried.**

**Charles Woodmancy made a Motion and Steve Foster seconded the Motion to have 13-D include language: “Any towns in the RSU that have a student population with school choice (Harmony 9-12, Willimantic K-12) shall be responsible for any special education costs incurred that are beyond routine. Examples of such costs would be accommodation for special transportation, staffing, out of district placements, summer programming and non-routine testing services.” Charles Woodmancy called the Motion. 2 Opposed the Motion. Motion carried.**

**Julie Willcott made the Motion and William Digby seconded the Motion to change the language in 13-E to read as follows: “The parties are aware of no lawsuits,**

**administrative complaints, due process proceedings, notices of claim and other claims existing as of the date of filing the plan.” Motion carried.**

**Charles Woodmancy made the Motion and William Digby seconded the Motion to amend 9A to read as the revised template states. The language will be included in the updated plan. Motion carried.**

**Steve Foster brought up the fact that he did not feel that we should have the name Maine Highlands RSU and thought that the new RSU Board and the public should share in the naming. Charles Woodmancy made the Motion to rescind the name and Dale Huff seconded the Motion. Motion carried.**

**Timeline for Referendum: It was discussed that we should try to have the Referendum on November 4<sup>th</sup> in order to try and get the biggest turnout we can. Peter Devine made the Motion and Charlotte Violette seconded the Motion to have the Referendum date on November 4<sup>th</sup>. We also voted to have the plan complete on July 21<sup>st</sup>, the SAU vote to submit the plan no later than August 20<sup>th</sup> and the other deadlines in that column of the handout would stay the same.**

**Paul Stearns will make sure the updated plan will go out to all members before the next meeting. The next meeting to approve the plan will be July 21<sup>st</sup> at PCMS – Guilford at 6:30 p.m. The Superintendents and Co-Chairs will get together to decide the dates of the informational public meetings and have those dates at the next meeting.**

**Peter Devine made a Motion to adjourn and Dale Huff seconded the Motion. Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.**