

**Washington South Supervisory Union
Board of School Directors' Regular Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2016 – 5:30 P.M.
Roxbury Village School Library
Approved: October 12, 2016**

Present: Jon Guiffre, Chair; Justin Wrigley, Vice-Chair; Ryan Zajac, Acting-Clerk; Sophia Bennett; Peter Evans; Mike Bailey; Laurie Gossens, Superintendent; Wayne Howe, NES Principal; Michaela Martin, ONSU. **Absent:** Emily Gray, Katlyn Jackson.

1.0 Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by Jon Guiffre at 5:38 p.m.

2.0 Approve Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Justin Wrigley to approve the Bills and Orders Summary totaling \$365,154.42 and Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 20, 2016. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

3.0 Audience and Communications:

Introduction of Michaela Martin, the new proposed Curriculum Director.

4.0 Reports:

4.1 Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent Gossens shared her report with the Board.

4.1.1 Monitoring Report EL.01 Emergency Superintendent Succession was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made _____ and seconded by _____ to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.0 Discussion and Action:

5.1 Discussion and Action on Business Manager Service Contract: A motion was made by Justin Wrigley and seconded by Mike Bailey to continue a shared Business Manager Service Contract with the Orange North Supervisory Union for the 2016-2017 school year the same as for the 2015-2016 school year. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.2 Discussion and Action on Curriculum Director Contract: Michaela Martin introduced herself and described her goals for the coming school year. There was discussion regarding a shared Curriculum Director Service Contract with the Orange North Supervisory Union. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Peter Evans to enter into a shared Curriculum Director Service Contract with the Orange North Supervisory Union to utilize the services of Michaela Martin. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.3 Discussion and Action on Commencement of Contract Negotiations: Superintendent Gossens shared with the Board her recommendation to extend an invitation to the Teacher's Union to commence contract negotiations. A motion was made by Justin Wrigley and seconded by Peter Evans to send the invitation to the Teacher's Union. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

Justin Wrigley, Sophia Bennett and Katlyn Jackson will make up the initial negotiation team.

6.0 Board Work Session:

6.1 Updates on Act 46 Governance Studies: Peter Evans shared updates of what the Northfield and Williamstown Study Committee have been working on recently. Jon Guiffre shared an overview of the last discussions between Roxbury and Montpelier.

7.0 Future Board Meetings:

WSSU October 10, 2016
WSSU December 5, 2016

Roxbury Village School Library
Brown Public Library Community Room

5:30 p.m.
5:30 p.m.

8.0 Executive Session:

A motion was made by Peter Evans and seconded by Mike Bailey to enter into Executive Session at 6:29 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations and a personnel matter. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved. The Board exited Executive Session at 6:39 p.m.

9.0 Other Discussion and Action:

A motion was made by Justin Wrigley and seconded by Sophia Bennett to approve the Superintendent's Employment Contract. Vote: Yes – 6; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

8.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ryan Zajac, Acting Clerk