

21 January 2013

Called to order at 1803

Present – Mary Myers, Jeff Slack, Jason Downing, Excused – Tim Merry, Ray Poulin, David Ray, RSU 12 Ad Hoc Committee, Alan Hawkins, Bill Stockmeyer, Hilary Holm

Introductions

Poulin – We will review the RSU proposed withdrawal agreement

- 1- purpose – 3) should include Wiscasset and RSU
- Nault – Wiscasset does not exist until this is passed
- Ray – it will exist at completion of agreement
- Poulin – 4) more general and is covered in the agreement, located in other areas
- Stockmeyer – understand the point but may be a reason it is in there

2) Date of withdrawal instead of July 1, 2013

- Holm – unable to get it done in that time
- Downing – Frustration on our end by RSU delays
- Stockmeyer – unable to complete by July 1, 2013
- Holm – budget process started in December

3) C. first paragraph, for data, how many students are alternative ed, special needs, IEP?

- Poulin – previous section B reference to technical center program, should it be specific to the tech center?

- Stockmeyer – multiple centers, understands the majority of Wiscasset students go to Bath

- Nault – number of alternative ed students may not be reflected of those that will be attending Wiscasset

- Slack – Is there contracts with other schools?

- Nault – The RSU has its own program

- Caron – Mixture of alternative ed and special ed

- Hawkins – will get numbers of where students go

- Poulin – need numbers of who would be attending Wiscasset to get a more accurate number

C. Second paragraph – debt service factor

- Nault – doesn't exist

- Poulin – it is in Brewer and other agreements, it may come up elsewhere

F. Numbers of students will be useful in future discussions

Page 6 – High School of Record in different areas

- Holm – Can you explain high school of record?

- Poulin – children have to have a school

- Stockmeyer – RSU may consider another school as their high school of record

- Hawkins – unable to discuss but looking into it

- Downing – Are we bound to keep a high school for 10 years or can there be language if Wiscasset wants to close it?

- Stockmeyer – Can discuss later as we get further into negotiations

5. Transferring of titles

- Stockmeyer – What buses the RSU doesn't need be transferred and agreed to

- Nault – covered in other sections

7. (3) and (4) Wiscasset has paid a significant share in other RSU projects elsewhere, has Wiscasset's portion been considered in cost elsewhere?

- Nault – Wiscasset has been part of RSU 12 and voted to do these projects
- Myers – we interpreted as the RSU collecting for previous payments
- Stockmeyer – debt was paid by other towns for Wiscasset's previous debts
- Ray – this is a slippery slope and opens up other cost
- Stockmeyer – other towns agreed to join and get Wiscasset's debt paid then Wiscasset leaves
- Downing – reference Nault's comment that RSU voted to do this
- Caron – Wiscasset joined to leave once the debt was paid

B. Specifics – to know where this is applied list contracts

(2) What is pro rata share?

(3) Need to see exhibit to look over information

- Stockmeyer – reference 13B

C. Majority one year contracts

8. What is proposed legislature?

- Stockmeyer – has proposed legislation as currently too much ambiguity. Things happen such as a roof collapse and bonds may be needed to cover cost, protection for timeframe from agreement to withdrawal

- Ray – RSU would have to approve before voters of Wiscasset would vote

9. Contract Dates – will fix to 2015

- Downing – RSU delays should not cause Wiscasset cost

- Stockmeyer – not sure if Wiscasset will withdraw. Market determines need of a long term contract and needed whether withdrew in 2013 or 2014

10. Discussion of bargaining dates of contracts, issues with bargaining of contracts

12. Wording of shared employees needed

- Holm – if withdrawal happens preference not to share employees, have Wiscasset's withdrawal committee talked about which employees they would want as part of Wiscasset?

- Meyers – an example of the transportation director and what would that position become?

- Nault – That position is at will and that person would choose what they wanted to do

Further discussion on positions

13. Ray – not including thirds party warrantees

A. Chelsea mistyped

B. Exhibits – need information

- Stockmeyer – some things may go away after further review is done

15. Stockmeyer – add provision for amendment if unforeseen reason comes up

B. Poulin – why the change to arbitration?

- Stockmeyer – nothing specific, open to suggestions

Meyers – Any further questions?

Caron – Clarifying that wants of exhibits and numbers of special and alternative ed students

Meyers – when will be next meeting?

Caron – Tentively February 7th at 1800, depending on Balinda getting the information requested

Meeting adjourned at 1935