

Windsor Central Supervisory Union  
Windsor Central Unified Union School District  
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting  
April 4, 2022, 6:30 p.m.  
[Virtual Zoom meeting recording](#)

**Board Members Present:**

*Barnard:*

Carin Park (virtual)

*Pomfret:*

*Bridgewater:*

Matthew Hough (virtual)

*Reading:*

Anna Sessa (virtual)  
Adam Ameele (virtual)

*Killington:*

Jim Haff (virtual)

*Woodstock:*

Keri Bristow (virtual)  
Ben Ford (virtual)  
Sam DiNatale (virtual)  
Todd Ulman (virtual)  
Matt Stout (virtual)  
PJ Eames (virtual)

*Plymouth:*

Elliot Rubin (virtual)

*Pittsfield:*

*Superintendent:* Sherry Sousa (virtual)

*Director of Instructional Technology:* Raphael Adamek (virtual)

*Director of Finance and Operations:* Jim Fenn (virtual)

*District Buildings & Grounds Manager:* Joe Rigoli (virtual)

*Director of Human Resources:* Linda Loprete (virtual)

*District Covid Coordinator:* Katie Burke

*Principals/ Administration:* John Hansen (virtual)

*Student Representatives:* Owen Courcey (virtual), Aiden Keough-Vella (virtual)

*Recording Secretary:* Rayna Bishop (virtual)

1. **Call to Order:** Keri Bristow called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
2. **Amendments to the Agenda:** Jim Haff added a B&G item to discuss RES air purifiers. Motion to adopt agenda as amended. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Adam Ameele. All in favor.
3. **Board Member Resignation:** Killington representative Gwen Hagenbarth submitted her resignation from the board due to a change in circumstances. Motion to accept resignation with regret. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Sam DiNatale. All in favor.
4. **Public Comment:** none
5. **Reports:** The full written reports can be found in the board book. Reports were provided by the Superintendent; Director of Instructional Technology, who also delivered the reports of the Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment and the Director of Student Support Services; the student representatives; and the Director of Finance and Operations.
6. **Time Scheduled Discussion:**
  - a. WCSU Annual Report: Superintendent Sousa delivered an in-depth presentation on the state of the district. Link to presentation [here](#).
7. **Committee Updates:**
  - a. Finance:

- i. Prekindergarten conversation- Ben Ford and Superintendent Sousa discussed the current prekindergarten situation and the expected enrollment for FY23. Options presented on how to best meet the needs of the community and families with young children. (Options as presented found [here](#).) Recommendation of Finance Committee is option #3, program expansion. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Matt Stout. All in favor.
  - ii. Update- Ben Ford gave an update on the current work of the Finance Committee. Matt Stout requested a quick update on bussing, as the company the district contracts with is having trouble delivering services. Dir. Of Finance Jim Fenn discussed the contract and the payment for services.
  - b. Policy:
    - i. First Readings:
      - 1. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion- One previous edit to policy was not included in the board book version. Motion to adopt policy at the next meeting (with that edit included). Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Ben Ford. All in favor.
      - 2. Student Conduct and Discipline- Discussion of the addition of a sentence banning corporal punishment. Motion to adopt updated policy at the next meeting. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Anna Sessa. All in favor.
    - ii. Update- Sam DiNatale discussed the policies currently being worked on.
  - c. Buildings & Grounds- The ARPA Committee of Reading has donated 7 mobile air purification units. B&G supports a trial run and discussed the costs that will be incurred by the district to support their operation. For equity, B&G recommends placing units in the other elementary schools. The district currently possesses 20 air purification units that are not being used. Those units will be placed first in the prekindergarten classrooms, as those students are too young to be vaccinated. The remaining units will be evenly distributed. (These units are located at the HSMS, but due to updates to systems they are no longer needed there.) Motion to accept the donation at RES and redistribute the 20 current units. Moved: Anna Sessa. Seconded: Adam Ameele. All in favor. Director of B&G Joe Rigoli discussed the current happenings in the district.
  - d. Negotiations- Adam Ameele shared that the committee is still awaiting feedback from the support staff representatives regarding proposals for changes to the agreement. PJ Eames volunteers to join the Negotiations Committee.
  - e. Working Groups- no updates.
- 8. Consent Agenda- Motion to approve the consent agenda. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Sam DiNatale. All in favor.
  - 9. Public comment: None.
  - 10. Executive Session: Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a student matter under 1 V.S.A. §313(a)(7). Moved: Anna Sessa. Seconded: Ben Ford. All in favor. Board exited Executive Session at 8:38 p.m.
  - 11. Reflection and board feedback.
  - 12. Motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Sam DiNatale. All in favor.