Regional District 11 Addition/Withdrawal of Grades Committee Minutes

August 29, 2016 Parish Hill Library 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

1.	Call to Ord	der 5:24 pm		
2.	Roll Call Present Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Ye	Absen Absen Absen Absen Absen Absen Absen Absen Absen	t No	Sherry Smardon Rod Perry Jeff Clermont John Burnham Stephanie Harrington Steve Dunn Stacy Foster Matt Foster Bud Smallwood Atty. Matt Venhorst
3.	 Review of Statutory Charge Matt Foster printed and distributed Sec. 10-47b. Addition or withdrawal of grades. Atty. Venhorst summarized the work of the committee as the determination of whether to add or withdraw grades to Region 11. Atty. Venhorst discussed deferring this committee potentially. John Burnham indicated that deferral may be a disservice to the member towns. Matt Foster indicated that many people have strong opinions and may not be open to the results of the committee work. What are the options that everyone wants to look at for the composition of the school? M&M study 			
4.	 Approval of minutes – August 22, 2016 – delayed to next meeting Motion: No Vote Second: Aye: Nay: Abstain: 			
5.	Discussion and possible action on the following items – delayed to next meeting			

a. Operational procedures – Attached List

No Vote

Motion:

Second: Aye: Nay: Abstain:

b. Future meeting dates – Attached Schedule

Motion: No Vote

Second: Aye: Nay: Abstain:

Regional Educational Service Centers (RESC)/ Consultant interviews
 CABE – Bob Raider at CABE At this time, CABE would not be able to provide additional assistance beyond mediation help.

Ann Gruenberg – CABE would be willing to assist in facilitating information gathering. Mr. Raider misunderstood the group that Matt Foster was representing, addition/withdrawal NOT dissolution.

Matt Foster will contact Mr. Raider again to clarify purpose and use.

6. Other Business

Budget = \$3.00 per student for the avg. student population of the Region.

Steve Dunn – Past Addition/Withdrawal

Atty. Venhorst – Pg. 4 is a good point of reference for the committee.

Suisman Shapiro Addition/Withdrawal PowerPoint

John Burnham – What are the possibilities?

Full regionalization?

7-8 withdrawal?

Rod Perry – all should maintain objectivity and gather all information.

Action Items –Committee will review the recent reports and identify the options to be researched.

Request the two requesting entities to provide reasons for request of the committee.

Rod Perry said the current declining enrollment is not sustainable.

Sherry Smardon said dissolution had repeatedly failed and Scotland wanted to obtain more information.

Stephanie Harrington noted that everything has to be updated.

Rod Perry culture of the towns – All three towns high school age students – not all attending Parish Hill.

Matt Foster - Don't want to take options away from students.

Tri-town survey results forthcoming. Next tri-town meeting on the 8th of September.

Stacy Foster will send out the link to the MM study on the Chaplin website.

7. Agenda for next meeting

Call to Order

Roll Call

Review of Statutory Charge

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Discussion and Possible Action on the following items:

Operational Procedures

Meeting Schedule

RESC/Regional Education Service Centers

Review possibilities for outcomes

Next Steps

Agenda for next meeting

Other business items for next meeting

Public participation

Adjournment

8. Public Participation

Claire D'Appollonio – A participant has to be on the phone when discussion takes place, on speakerphone, and can vote by phone.

Ann Gruenberg – 2009 Study – was that the study that looked at working with Brooklyn? No. Different study. All three towns agreed, Brooklyn voted.

9. Adjournment 6:25pm No Vote.

Motion: No Vote

Second: Aye: Nay:

Abstain:

Regional District 11 Addition/Withdrawal of Grades Committee Proposed Operational Procedures - Revised

- Meeting Biweekly Monday August 29th
- Meeting Start time 5 pm
- Meeting Length 1.5 Hours Maximum
- Audience for Citizens Public Comment at the end of the meeting 15 minutes maximum
- Meeting Place Parish Hill Library
- Allow Chair of the Board to appoint a stand in if the voting member of the committee is unavailable to attend.
- Final vote must be the original members of the committee.
- Participation by phone for voting member.
- Posting agenda, minutes, and committee communication are the charge of the Region 11 office. Posting to the three town clerks and all committee members.
- Quorum is a majority defined as five of nine members. The five voting members must include one voting member of each town.
- The committee requests Atty. Venhorst prepare a summary of our statutory charge to be reviewed at the beginning of each meeting.

Regional District 11 Addition/Withdrawal of Grades Committee Proposed Meeting Schedule - Revised

Monday, August 29, 2016
Monday, September 12, 2016
Monday, September 26, 2016
Monday, October 10, 2016
Monday, October 24, 2016
Monday, November 07, 2016
Monday, November 21, 2016
Monday, December 05, 2016
Monday, December 19, 2016
Monday, January 09, 2017
Monday, January 30, 2017
Monday, February 13, 2017
Monday, February 27, 2017
Monday, March 13, 2017
Monday, March 27, 2017
Monday, April 10, 2017
Monday, April 24, 2017
Monday, May 08, 2017
Monday, May 22, 2017
Monday, June 05, 2017
Monday, June 19, 2017
Monday, July 03, 2017
Monday, July 17, 2017
Monday, July 31, 2017
Monday, August 14, 2017