

Meeting Minutes

Vocational Education Options Working Group (VEOWG)

February 18, 2016

Members in Attendance:

Peter Braun, *Selectman*

Laura Sander, *Finance Committee*

Patty Mostue, *Lincoln-Sudbury School Committee*

Becky McFall, *Superintendent – Lincoln Schools*

Tim Higgins, *Town Administrator*

Mr. Higgins convened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Mr. Higgins reported on his discussion with the Town Moderator regarding the sequence and timing of Special Town Meeting presentations. The Moderator asked that we be mindful of the need for concise presentations to leave sufficient time for questions and debate.

The Committee proposed the following, subject to discussion with the Moderator:

1. Noah Eckhouse (5 minutes) – Contextual remarks.
2. Peter Braun (15 minutes) – Basic overview.
3. Becky McFall (15 minutes) – Educational quality comparison.
4. Laura Sander (10 minutes) – Cost comparison.
5. Peyton Marshal (5-10 minutes) – Finance Committee's insights and recommendation.
6. Audrey Kalmus (5 – 10 minutes) – Capital Planning Committee's insights and recommendation.
7. Peter Braun (2 minutes) – Selectmen's recommendation.
8. Minuteman (TBD) – Sharon Antia/Superintendent Bouquillon/Business Manager Mahoney)

The Moderator is in agreement with our suggestion to present the two Articles together and to vote them separately. It is agreed that the Selectmen should be the moving party for Article #1 (withdrawal), and the Minuteman School Committee the moving party for Article #2 (Amended Regional Agreement).

Ms. Sander and Mr. Braun stated that they would be meeting with Kevin Mahoney, Minuteman's Business Manager later in the day to review differing assumptions about 2020 enrollment projections.

The Group confirmed the list of handouts that should be available for the Special Town Meeting, including 1) the Motions 2) the FAQ 3) the Educational comparison 4) cost comparison, and 5) Minuteman's own summary of the Amendments.

The schedule for the tours of Keefe Tech. and Minuteman were confirmed: tour of Keefe Monday, February 22nd and Minuteman Tuesday, February 23rd.

The Group voted to delegate the task of finalizing any incomplete sets of minutes to Mr. Higgins, as the February 18th meeting is intended to be the VEOWG's last meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 a.m.