Education Committee - Town of Arrowsic

Arrowsic Town Hall, April 6, 2015

[Draft by Anita Lichman]

Participants: Matt Bachman, David Howe, Camille Kauffunger, Anita Lichman

Agenda:

- 1. Approve last meeting minutes.
- 2. RSU1 Board Composition Update
- 3. Communication from Committee
- 4. Student List for RSU1

1. Approve last meeting minutes.

All those who attended the last meeting, approved the minutes. David showed the group the binder that will be placed in town hall with Committee information and notes.

2. RSU1 Board Composition Update

David is attending the RSU1 Reappointment Committee meeting on behalf of Arrowsic. David shared the different models of board composition that have been proposed as well as the guidelines shared by the state to help form the new RSU1 Board. In addition David shared that the group discussing the new composition of the RSU1 Board has suggested the board go from a 7 to 9 member board with staggered terms to help sustain institutional memory and mitigate the impact of turn over. Some examples of the proposed models are:

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3 Bath, 2 Woolwich, 2 Phippsburg, 1 Arrowsic, 1 At Large 2 Bath, 2 Woolwich, 2 Phippsburg, 2 Arrowsic, 1 At Large 4 Bath, 2 Woolwich, 2 Phippsburg, 1 Arrowsic 2 Bath, 2 Woolwich, 2 Phippsburg, 2 Arrowsic, 2 At Large 1 Bath, 1 Woolwich, 1 Phippsburg, 1 Arrowsic, 5 At Large
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The next meeting is 4/7/15 and the intention is to draft a letter to the state with the recommended new composition of the board for RSU1.

3. Communication from Committee

Camille agreed to get an announcement to the Select board, to share with the town on behalf of the Committee, about the Choices Pre K informational night and kindergarten registration deadline.

David will prepare and send the Committee meeting dates and times, Box Top collection information to the Town Google group and to be posted in the Arrow newsletter for the Town.

David shared that he submitted the Committee report to the Town for submission in the Town's annual report.

4. Student List for RSU1

David will check in with Veda when the list will be shared for the Committee to review.

5.Community Initiatives

The Committee discussed doing a series of events that are educational in nature such as a science gathering, partnering with the Conservation Committee to create signs, and exploring returning to past Town ventures in cider making/touch a truck events. The Committee agree to draft a calendar of options at the next meeting.

Next Steps

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- 2. David will prepare and send the Committee meeting dates and times, Box Top collection information to the Town Google group and to be posted in the Arrow newsletter for the Town.
- 3. David will check in with Veda when the list will be shared for the Committee to review.

Committee's Annual Tasks

- 1) Create annual monthly meeting schedule & post on town calendar, Google Town calendar, and Arrow publication. (AUGUST)
- 2) Secure RSU1 School Board meeting schedule & assign Committee members to attend & report back to the Committee (SEPTEMBER)
- 3) Announce Pre-K information session & RSU1 school registration deadline. (MARCH)
- 4) Town Annual Report (MARCH)
- 5) RSU1 Student List Review & Approval (APRIL)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm. Next Committee meeting is May 6th at 6pm at Town Hall.