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**Washington Northeast Supervisory Union Board
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, January 5, 2017

PRESENT: Chris Tormey, Patrick Healy, Sharon O'Connor, Jack Hoffman, Lisa Olson

Administrators: Nancy Thomas, Superintendent; Christina Kimball, Business Manager **Absent:** Jill Wilson

Call to Order Chris Tormey, called the meeting to order at 5:04pm.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve December 15, 2016 Minutes– Patrick moved to approve the minutes of December 15, 2016 as written. Lisa seconded the motion. Minutes approved as written.
- b. Approve January 3, 2017 Minutes – the board reviewed the notes from January 3rd and no one wished to add or delete any information. There was not a quorum for a formal meeting.

Board Discussion

- a. FY18 Budget – Christina Kimball
 - Nancy shared with the WNESU Board Rose Riley and Pat Johnson-Knoerl, Curriculum Director will both retire at the end of FY 17.
 - Christina reviewed the WNESU FY18 Budget Draft #3 Highlights, including changes from the last draft.
 - Revenue – Revenue- Increased special education due to contract changes. Reduced costs to schools by \$62,872.00.
 - Special Education – Reduced salary and benefits for Cabot due to retirement. Reduced supplies and equipment.
 - Psychology Services – Changed to reflect new students' needs.
 - Operations and Maintenance – reduced .5 Cabot custodial position previously added in drafts 1 and 2.
- b. Negotiations Update
 - No New updates
- c. Act 46 Update
 - Everyday Democracy will hold training on Thursday, January 5th with 7 or 8 students and 3-4 adults from Cabot and Danville. Twinfield students and adults received the same training earlier in the fall. During this training participants will prepare to facilitate discussions with community members around the two merger options as well as what

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alternatives would be if the committee decided to not move forward with merger or if the merger is voted against.

- Community forum/discussion around Act 46 will be held at Cabot on January 11, Danville on January 23 and at Twinfield on January 25th.

Board Action:

a. Act on FY18 Budget

Patrick moved to approve the FY18 WNESU budget as presented. Chris seconded the motion. FY18 WNESU Budget approved as written.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Chris Tormey, Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda LeBlanc, Transcriber