

Community Outreach & Input Subcommittee

March 12, 2019 3:37pm

Bonnie Silvers called the meeting to order at 3:37pm

Members present: Bonnie Silver, Jeff Blaugrund, Jonathan Bruno, Ken Knox, Marci Bush, Beth Regulbuto

Also present: Brenda Ullrich, Marian Dodds

Motion by Jeff Blaugrund: I move that this subcommittee create a rough draft, 2 page flyer to be presented to and approved by the entire school committee that will include budgetary information on one side and the regional assessment formula on the other side. This will be mailed to all property owners in the 5 towns.

Second by Marci Bush

Discussion ensued regarding the budget. Mr. Blaugrund stated that Alford residents are nervous about budget increase and are opposed to school budget. Discussed how we are now paying for previously approved items such as the new roof, the boiler, and transportation.

Ken Knox suggested that each town select board write a letter to Senator Adam Hines asking for more rural funding.

In a quandary regarding lack of budgetary support from the towns, Superintendent Beth Regulbuto stated that the district employs a significant number of people from the five towns. Ms. Silvers agreed stating the district is the second highest employer for Sheffield.

Brenda Ullrich and Marion Dodds stated that many faculty members do not support the budget.

Created a voluntary writing team for this flyer of Jeff Blaugrund, Jonathan Bruno, BrendaUllrich, Marci Bush and Beth Regulbuto for approval.

Discussed contacts and means of communication within each town regarding this flyer.

April 1 at 4:30pm was the date set to approve draft for presentation to the entire school committee at the April 4 meeting. Mr. Blaugrund to write initial draft on a google document to be shared and edited by "writing team."

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Blaugrund at 4:49pm

Second by Mr. Knox.