

Arlington School District
Special Board Meeting
May 2, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Matthew Bykowski, Todd Wilkins, Nicol Whalen, Robert Zink, Jeff Tilley.

Administration Present: William Bazyk.

Audience Present: Mike Wood, Brian Howe, Hooper Pickering, Deanne Lacoste, Maureen Harvey, Jennifer Moses, Emily Dowd, Carol Farley, Jaclyn Doran, Kylee Ryan, Kevin Smith, Jim Baker, Jack McDonnough (GNAT-TV),

Nicol Whalen made a motion to call the Arlington School Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Other Business:

Field Trips: There are two out of state field trip requests: Nicol Whalen made a motion to approve the Kenney Mill Farm in Cambridge, New York trip and the VIA Aquarium in Schenectady, New York trip. Moved by Todd Wilkins. Second by Matthew Bykowski. All in favor.

Before public comments, Nicol Whalen spoke to the audience members about what Act 46 is, the progress the board has made within the past 2 years, timelines, and where the board stands with regards to making a decision.

Nicol Whalen stated that at this point in time, the school board will be submitting a letter to the Vermont Agency of Education stating that they would like to ask for an extension for at least one more year before merging with the Bennington Rutland Supervisory Union (BRSU).

It would be best for both the Battenkill Valley Supervisory Union and BRSU to have 2-3 years to make for a smooth transition.

Nicol Whalen made a motion to have the Arlington School District assigned to the Bennington Rutland Supervisory Union (BRSU) with an effective date of 2021. Moved by Matthew Bykowski. Second by Robert Zink. All in favor.

William Bazyk will draft a letter and send to all board members for review. Once reviewed, he will send in to the Agency of Education by Friday, May 4, 2018.

Public Comment:

Maureen Harvey thanked the board for all their time and effort with Act 46.

There were multiple questions asked from audience members and the board members were able to address those questions.

Adjournment:

Nicol Whalen made a motion to adjourn the Arlington School Board Special Meeting at 6:40 pm

Respectfully submitted.

Kendell Jennings
Recorder

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Robert Zink — Board Clerk

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