

Ad Hoc Committee for Inter-district Education Cost Sharing  
Governance Sub-Committee  
Special Meeting

September 28, 2021

10AM

**Call to Order:** Gary Greenberg called the Meeting to order at 10AM.

**Roll Call:** Gary Greenberg, Allan Cahill, Kathy Donahue, Rose Bisson, Clare D’Appollonio, Tom McAvoy.

Others Present: Attorney Fred Dorsey, Special Assistant to Scotland’s First Selectman Kylee Dostie, Recording Secretary Dayna McDermott Arriola.

**Additions to the Agenda**

**Motion:** Allan Cahill, seconded by Claire D’Appollonio, to add to the agenda an Executive Session for the purpose of discussion protected by attorney-client privilege. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Kathy Donahue, seconded by Rose Bisson, to approve the August 24, 2021 Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Executive Session**

**Motion:** Tom McAvoy, seconded by Kathy Donahue, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussion protected by attorney-client privilege. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session convened at 10:05AM. Those present: Gary Greenberg, Allan Cahill, Kathy Donahue, Rose Bisson, Clare D’Appollonio, Tom McAvoy, Attorney Fred Dorsey, and Kylee Dostie, Special Assistant to Scotland’s First Selectman.

Public session convened at 11:28AM.

**Hiring of an Attorney**

**Motion:** Kathy Donahue, seconded by Tom McAvoy, to recommend hiring Attorney Fred Dorsey at an estimated cost of \$2,000-\$3,000. Motion carried, 4-0, Rose Bisson abstaining.

**Budget Requests to the Boards of Finance/Selectmen**

Allan Cahill confirmed that Hampton’s Board of Finance and Scotland’s Board of Selectmen would need to approve the funds for the attorney. By general consent it was decided that these boards would also determine whether the Programming Sub-Committee would need to approve the recommendation of the Governance Sub-Committee. It was also decided that the Recording Secretary would continue to be paid from the Hampton Board of Finance account with Scotland reimbursing Hampton for their amount.

**Meeting Dates 2021-2022**

**Motion:** Kathy Donahue, seconded by Clare D’Appollonio, to establish the following meeting dates: October 12 at 10AM, October 26 at 10AM, November 9 at 10AM, December 14 at 10AM. Motion carried unanimously.

It was decided that additional special meetings would be scheduled if necessary.

### **General Discussion**

Kathy Donahue suggested that certain aspects of cooperative agreement models might require adjustments to meet the needs of the Towns, such as representation and transportation. Clare D'Appollonio noted that each school is responsible for the transportation of their resident students. Ms. Donahue added that combining Town routes at their borders would be beneficial in reducing the number of buses and the duration of the routes.

Tom McAvoy asked that the sub-committee's mission statement be added to the next agenda, and that the mission statement be published on the Committee for Inter-district Education Cost Sharing's independent website.

### **Audience for Citizens**

Maryellen Donnelly relayed that Hampton's Town Clerk did not receive the schedule of meeting dates determined at the August 24, 2021 meeting, and that as it is not the Town Clerk's responsibility to read Minutes in order to find that information, a list of dates needs to be sent. Gary Greenburg will ensure that the list of meeting dates is sent.

Rose Bisson stated that she will distribute the contact information for Attorney Dorsey.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Sub-Committee, the Meeting adjourned at 11:41AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna McDermott Arriola  
Recording Secretary

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