

RA Subcommittee Meeting 9/21/16

Start - 8:37am

Members Present: Stacey Metternick, Hannah Fraley, Deb Evans

Elected Chair- Stacey

Elected Secretary- Hannah

Group discussion:

Chair's Report: Hamilton and Wenham have both expressed support in conversation to discuss apportionment

Stacey Metternick suggested a target date of November to present a draft proposal of the revised apportionment portion of the Regional Agreement to both towns. Deb Evans and Hannah Fraley expressed agreement.

Stacey Metternick said that we will have MASC support- Mike Gilbert will be coming to a meeting to help with regional agreement, MASC has examples

Apportionment formula of the RA is what we are focusing on only as a whole community problem that needs to be addressed.

Stacey mentioned the School Committee attorney is going to do clean-up of the RA with Mike Harvey

Currently in RA- 3 year rolling average, enrollment shift to Wenham due to declining Hamilton enrollment.

Deb Evans mentioned that currently the Regional Agreement is driven by enrollment and the group expressed questions whether or not there are other measures to apply. Deb Evans mentioned households- deriving a benefit, pay regardless

Stacey will consult with Larry re: other metrics and other school districts regarding apportionments. Stacey will also consult with the two towns to see if they have any other additional household data available besides Census data. Hannah Fraley expressed concern regarding the validity of Census data or using other data as there is a delay in publishing such data as well as flaws in the data, making it an unreliable measure.

Group agreed on a goal to present proposal for the November timeframe

Adjourn 9:25am

Meet next Wed. 8:30am 9/28/16