GRAND ISLE SCHOOL BOARD
Meeting Monday, May 23, 2016
At Grand Isle School

Attendance:
Gary Marckres, Chair
Carol Miller
Teri Geney
Don Bartlett
Eric Arnzen, Principal
Jeremy Grenon

Tim Maxham
John Gavin

Call Meeting to Order
Gary Marckres called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Adjustment of Agenda
Add discussion of Constant Contact email contract.

Approval of Minutes of May 9, 2016
Carol Miller moved to approve the minutes. Approved 4-0.

Members of the Public—For Items Not on the Agenda
None

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
VMI Presentation
Mr. Grenon gave a presentation on the Vermont Mathematics Initiative. He shared how he has grown in the three years he has been working toward his masters, and his work with pre-teaching mathematics to students.

Staffing Configurations
Mr. Arnzen shared the final staffing configurations for the next school year. Two teachers will be teaming up to teach the 5th grade, with one teaching Language Arts and Social Studies, and the other teaching Math and Science.

SWIFT FIT Assessment Results
Mr. Arnzen shared a presentation on their work with the SWIFT center. This assessment is an interview assessment investigating fidelity of implementation.

General Information
Erin Oliver is going to be the math specialist. Mr. Arnzen also shared that they are very close to hiring a new guidance counselor. He has invited her to come to Grand Isle School for a half-day visit.

BOARD DISCUSSION & ACTION
Act 46 Update
At the last meeting, the committee voted to create a proposal for a union school district operating grades Pre-Kindergarten through 6th and offering school choice for grades 7 through 12 with the towns of Grand Isle, Isle La Motte and North Hero being recommended as necessary and the towns of Alburgh and South
Hero being recommended as advisable. This doesn’t close doors for other options, but gives the Committee a clear focus for their future work. A November vote is planned.

SBAC Results
Mr. Arnzen shared the preliminary SBAC results with the board. Grand Isle’s scores are higher and on average more aligned with Supervisory Union scores than last year, particularly in the language arts.

Contract Ratification
A contract was signed for Julie Elkins for her role as health assistant.

Constant Contact
Teri Geney advised that the board continue to use Constant Contact after she leaves the board. The board decided to make it an annual invoice payable under School Board Communication.

Approval of Bills for Payment
Don Bartlett moved to approve bills in the amount of $113,576.22. Approved 4-0.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE/SHARING
Teri Geney sent out an advertisement in the Wildcat Wisdom about the school board vacancy.

AGENDA BUILDING
Budget to Actuals
Finalize Summer Maintenance Expenditures
Contract Ratification
Act 46 Update

EXECUTIVE SESSION
None

ADJOURN
Don Bartlett moved to adjourn at 7:38pm. Approved 4-0.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION:
Proposed Minutes respectfully submitted by Kelli Geney. Approved by the Board of Directors on:
June 13, 2016

Gary Marekres, Chair

Carol Miller

Teri Geney

Don Bartlett

Mike Talbot