

**Chittenden Central Supervisory Union  
Union #46 School Board Meeting  
January 13, 2011 - 6:30 P.M.  
EHS Library - 2 Educational Drive, Essex Junction**

**Board Members Present:** Jack Behlendorf, Al Bombardier, Brian Donahue, Lezlee Sprenger, Erin Knox

**Administrators Present:** Dr. Michael Deweese, Rob Reardon, Kathy Finck, Grant Geisler, Judy DeNova,

Jack Behlendorf, Chair, called the meeting to order at: 6:31 PM.

**Presentors:** Jill Prado, Grant Geisler

Rob Reardon provided the board with a proposed "Leadership Model." Follow-up on 1/17/2011.

**Jill Prado presented "World Languages" a perspective on:**

Current status/projected needs, Prospective actions, Benefits of World Language Studies, Program Status at EHS, Program delivery, Student Enrollment data, College admission VS how EHS compares and Trends.

**KEY POINTS:**

1. In spite of declining enrollments Spanish, French and Japanese remain stable (according to class size metrics and numbers of sections).
2. Align resource investments with demand (in order to meet student College/Career needs).
3. WL benefits all students (scores, etc); not related to socioeconomic status.
4. EHS WL enrolls almost 900 students in language class.
5. French and Spanish are the most favored courses.

**EHS BUDGET PRESENTATION:**

Grant presented and answered questions related to the proposed Essex High School budget.

**KEY POINTS:**

1. Education spending decreased by \$441, 258.00 (2%).
2. VT's Challenge for Change requirement has been met.
3. \$175,000.00 in Federal Grant monies is recommended to be spent on the following one time Educational investments.

- Additional support for 9<sup>th</sup> grade core,
- Additional support for NEASC,
- Comprehensive Professional Development,
- New Educational Model support,
- Restore Administrative furlough.

Note: It was requested that the Administration review FY2013 AND FY 2014 student enrollment data and potential new Challenge for Change reductions in order to provide the board with a risk assessment to these potential one time investments.

The Administration agreed to advise the Board with its recommendation on 01-17-2010.

**EHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Existing and future requirements are a “work in progress”.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:14 PM.

**Respectfully submitted by,**

**Al Bombardier**

**Clerk Union # 46 School board**