

The following excerpts of school board minutes did not fit into the print copy of the July-August issue of the *Signpost*.

Minutes of the EMES board are available at <https://www.wcsu32.org/Page/191>

Minutes of the U-32 school board are available at <https://www.wcsu32.org/Page/302>

East Montpelier Elementary School Board

March 28, 2018

Discussed school safety measures

Passed a motions to approve response to the AOE regarding Act 46 questions

April 24, 2018

Discussion items:

- Students presented on art, poetry, exploration, dyslexia, bluegrass music, football helmet science, Greek mythology, and volcanos
- Mr. Looke asked Ms. Lyford for additional information about the results of the communication survey.
- Adding information to the Capital Investment Fund that would indicate what the money is earmarked for

Motions Passed:

- to approve the hire of Ms. Jessica Fecura as a classroom teacher
- to accept the superintendent's recommendation to approve the salary increase for non-bargaining employees

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U-32 School Board

March 28, 2018

Discussion items:

- Students spoke about racism at U-32 through the lens of Black Lives Matter, and shared their support for displaying the Black Lives Matter flag
- Supervisory Union goals
- Students reported on the planned student walk-out which was preempted by a snow day

Motions Passed:

- to approve response to the AOE regarding Act 46 questions

- to approve Leave of Absence Request for Kate McCann
- to accept the resignations of Gillian Thomas and Glen Houston, with sadness and gratitude

April 4, 2018

Discussion items:

- parent request to discuss accessibility and challenges for students with disabilities at a future meeting
- Accessibility to upper grade STEM courses by 8th and 9th graders. Class size in advanced chemistry was cited. Steven Dellinger-Pate suggested that the administration try to present some options to meet the challenges desired in the STEM area
- Black Lives Matter flag and how to respond to other such requests

Motions Passed:

- to approve raising of Black Lives Matter flag, with specifics to be determined
- to accept end-of-year resignation from Pauline Cheesman
- to enter and exit executive session for to continue discussion of a residency issue
- to accept the requested tuition waiver through the student's graduation

May 2, 2018 (unapproved)

Discussion items:

- Accessibility of U-32 to disabled students. Family who requested discussion to be notified of actions taken to address their concerns
- Annual Financial Management Questionnaire
- Black Lives Matter flag: hope to have a policy statement after May 23 meeting

Motions Passed:

- to accept the resignations of Laura Abbene, Andrew Conforti, and Kit Walker
- to accept the appointments of Steven Ushakov, Brennan Lynch, Christine Fitch, Geoffrey Green, Elisabeth Marks; to include a change in Lynch's contract to read "one year" rather than "permanent"
- to enter and exit executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue
- to accept the recommendation of the administration for the non-bargaining contracts for the 2018-19 school year