



**SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING
OCTOBER 11, 2018**

1. The meeting began at 9:07 a.m. The following were present:

Superintendents: Mr. Stephen Lemanski, Agawam
Mr. Gordon Smith, East Longmeadow
Mr. Martin O'Shea, Longmeadow
Mr. Michael Richard, West Springfield

Collaborative: Mr. Andrew M. Churchill, Executive Director
Ms. Anna Bishop, Director of Finance and Operations

2. Notes from the September 13, 2018 meeting were enclosed for review.
3. Chief Dearborn was unable to attend this morning's meeting due to illness. We will invite him to the November meeting instead to discuss his involvement with the Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council.
4. Mr. Churchill discussed the recent issue with Hampden-Wilbraham Regional regarding ninth grade exploratory programming. The Department of Education requires that a district allow ninth grade students to attend out of district exploratory programs if so requested. There is no requirement however when any course within a district can be offered. Therefore, there is no impact on Career TEC programming. The group discussed the possibility of having principals and guidance counselors meet to discuss graduation requirements that may allow more students to enroll in Career TEC programs in the ninth grade.
5. Superintendents noted that their athletic directors determine whether or not to hold sporting events on days when school has been cancelled earlier in the day. They take into consideration whether or not road conditions improve enough to continue with any scheduled event.
6. Mr. Churchill noted that union negotiations continue to progress and we are now focused on the economic portion of the proposal. Mr. Churchill reported that we continue to monitor the potential financial impact on the member districts.

The group discussed various areas of mutual interest.

7. The next Superintendents meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2018.

The meeting concluded at 10:30 a.m.

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