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***School Administrative Unit #63***

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**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**  
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The summer has gone by quickly. Between taking a few days off I have been working with the building administrators to hire new staff. We have had some difficulty in finding a mathematics teacher. Joelle Henry who the board approved pulled back her acceptance due to family issues. IN addition we received two resignations. Amanda Luter, art teacher at FRES, indicated that she wanted to spend more time with her family. Meredith Raboin, media generalist/teacher, found a job closer to her home in Massachusetts. During the month, Matt Ballou approved staffing for the following positions.

- Art at FRES
- English for the middle school
- Technical Education for WLC
- Social Studies at the high school

We will have formal nominations at the meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

In the last week of June I attended the NHSAA annual conference in Whitefield. This was a four day event with good staff development and a session with Commissioner Edelblut and staff from the Department of Education.

On July 13, I attended the State Board of Education meeting. The agenda was varied but the main focus for my attendance was to give input on the possible reauthorization of new state standards for reading and English. These had been updated in the past few years and school districts around the state have spent a lot of time and resources on implementing the standards from five years ago. A change would result in retooling a lot of things. I was there to advocate for reviewing the standards for social studies instead, they have not been changed since 1998.

On July 21, I attended the Wilton "charrette" on economic development in the community. This was a meeting with local stake holders from committees and business to see what can be done to determine what local residents need and how to stimulate the business community within the town. A survey was done that was sent to all board members last week. While the survey did not have much to say about the school district, it was evident that those who responded did not point out the positives of the district. It will be important for the board and possibly the strategic planning committee to look at what can be done to highlight the district in a positive light.

On August 16, I will be presenting at the NHSAA conference on Collective Bargaining. I have negotiated two contracts within the last two years that deal with changes in health insurance and I was asked to speak.

I will be holding our administrative summer meeting at my home on August 10.