I. Call to Order

Mr. Morosani called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM


II. Discussion of courses to be shared

All parties want the class sharing program to grow. This year it consists of 6 Wamogo students and 2 Litchfield students. We have more time this year to plan. By January 15 we should have an outline of which courses can be shared to communicate with parents earlier. Will stick with 1st and 4th blocks. Focus right now is building a relationship and providing more student opportunities, but cost savings may happen in the process. Principals worked really hard last year to make it work.

The current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) expires on June 30, 2018. In order to continue the class sharing for the 2019-2021 school year, the MOU needs to be extended. Both committees will go back to their respective Boards to request that the MOUs be negotiated for a two-year extension through June, 2021 and that the extension be passed by year end so that the class sharing program can be implemented in time for sign up of classes. The committees will seek to maximize the number of shared course offerings.

III. Discussion of items for meeting between the Litchfield BOE meeting and the Region 6 BOE

We have more items to agree on before it would make sense to have a meeting between the two full BOEs. Both districts need to come up with a list of things that are most important to each of them, a list of non-negotiables. We do know that due to the Ag program any consolidation efforts would have to have high school campus at Wamogo due and then middle school on Litchfield property. Ready to explore cooperative agreements. Can look at tuition-based models and cooperative agreements.

IV. Next Steps

Litchfield needs to have discussions with town finance boards and selectman to make sure that both Litchfield Boards would be amenable with an arrangement where the Litchfield school property would be overseen by an entity other than the Litchfield BOE. Both sides
should talk to attorneys to get information and learn of potential obstacles. Mr. Morosani will ask the Litchfield BOE for advice from its attorney on several of the issues.

6. Adjournment

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:58.

The next joint meeting will be on November 20 at 4 PM at Wamogo, location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

John Morosani