

Grants Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes

June 24th 2019
CVSWMD Main Office
137 Barre Street Montpelier, VT
4:45 pm

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- I. Call to Order 4:45: Shari Cornish, Matt Levin, Ellen Cheney, Peter Carbee, John Jose (staff), Cathleen Gent (staff), and Theron Lay-Sleeper (AmeriCorps) present. Brenna Toman taking notes.
- II. Approval of the Minutes from May meeting – ACTION ITEM
Peter made a motion to approve the minutes. Shari seconded this motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- III. Review of funds
There is full funding for the SZWG/OWRRP for FY20 available (\$10,000).
- IV. School Zero Waste Grant Application/Addendum – ACTION ITEM
Twinfield Union School requested \$554 to amend an application from FY18 to build a sorting station. Theron Lay-Sleeper will build the sorting station as an AmeriCorps service project. The costs since the first application have increased by \$200, and the initial \$350 was never spent. Staff confirmed that the \$350 cannot be added to the FY20 budget from FY18. Ellen made a motion to award Twinfield Union School \$554 to have Theron build a new sorting station. Peter seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- V. MSP Discussion
During the May meeting, grant funds were awarded to projects that raised some questions about sustainability and the function of the MSP program. Currently, the language in the guidelines and application are not clear regarding the sustainability of events and the continued funding of repeating events. The Committee made several language suggestions throughout the MSP Guidelines to ensure that repeating projects are funded only once through the MSP and future funding will come from towns. Towns may apply again the following year if they need funding for tweaks or new initiatives. Staff will make changes to the documents and Matt Levin will review before the drafts are review by the POC.
- VI. Other
The next meeting is scheduled for July 22nd, 2019 at 4:45pm.
- VII. Adjourned 5:35 pm