

**Home Education Advisory Council
January 14, 2016
Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Marc Boyd, Christine Mukai, Amy Gall, Heather Gage, George D’Orazio, Jen Pereira.

Chair Amy Gall called the meeting to order at 3:43pm in Room 15 at the Department of Education.

Minutes of the October 8, 2015 meeting were accepted by general consent.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Amy reported that it has been quiet since the last meeting.

DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION REPORT

Heather reported that she had received a call from a parent concerned about her SS disability decreasing when the daughter turned 18; she thought she should be able to continue getting the increased payments because her daughter is homeschooled.

Ellie reported that she heard from a couple parents with students getting 100% of their education from VLACS who were surprised to find out they weren’t homeschooling. George wants us to look into this further and would like someone from VLACS with decision making authority to come to a Council meeting so all concerned can have a better idea of what is going on. Heather stated that she will call VLACS, and wondered if the Council could put out a statement pertaining to homeschooling and VLACS.

Heather reported that she is still seeking a candidate for the NH School Administrators Association seat.

OLD BUSINESS

There was some discussion regarding HB1414.

NEW BUSINESS

George suggested Relaxed Homeschoolers of NH should nominate for a seat on the Council as they appear to have more member families than CUHE. Amy noted that they may not have a governing body to choose such a representative.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:33pm.