The RSU5 School Board has adopted a number of strategic goals for the 2015-16 school year. The Board has four (4) key areas of focus. Our first priority is student achievement. This year the School Board will:

*Review our continued implementation of strategic curriculum investments; specifically, Teachers College Reading and Writing Workshop Model, Every Day Math, Project Based Learning and Proficiency-Based Learning.

*Strengthen Instructional Support by developing a framework to create consistency and improvement. Encourage and support all schools to raise student aspirations and develop systemic interventions to ensure learning progress for each student.

*Highlight stories of success and growth of students, teachers and community to enhance pride in RSU5.
The RSU5 School Board recognizes that the quality of the teacher in the classroom is the most important factor in ensuring student achievement and understands the importance of educational leadership. To these ends, the Board will:


*Select and pilot a comprehensive superintendent performance evaluation.

*Assess efforts to get to scale across RSU5 with Professional Learning Communities by setting SMART goals and reviewing the results.

*Re-establish an RSU5 Professional Development Committee to provide more opportunities for teacher input and set the context for more support for initiatives.

The School Board aims to be good stewards of resources and this year will:

*Align the FY 17 district budget with strategic priorities; adjust the budget timeline to provide time to address educational as well as financial impacts and to allow plenty of discussion and communication with stakeholder groups.

*Monitor high school addition and renovation project.

*Develop a long-range plan for capital investments, technology and education initiatives that are aligned with district goals.

*Explore ways to create efficiencies working in concert with the three towns.

Finally, the School Board will be accountable for results and will communicate with all stakeholders regularly about its goals.

*Monitor, on a regular basis, progress on yearly goals.

*Develop specific strategies for improving communications about RSU5, including updating the district's website on a regular basis and in a timely fashion, and more frequent newsletters and submissions to local publications. Increase opportunities to engage the public in conversations about school related issues and open up avenues for public stakeholder feedback and input.

*Continue RSU5 Leadership Committee meetings with leaders from the three towns.

*Create a district-wide, consistent process for accurately tracking migration patterns in and out of RSU5.