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From: Christopher Locarno <clocarno@onsu.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 11:17 AM
To: Matt Kiley
Subject: Re: Support

Matt - I looked at the letter and made changes below my notes are in bold. Good luck.

*I am writing to you in support of the initiative to have the recommendations of the Illuminating Engineers Society formally adapted for Vermont Agency of Education and adapted in its rules. These new rules would replace the **current** outdated, awkward and simplistic rule of a minimum of 50 foot-candle (FC).*

*I can attest, by the personal experience **that I have accumulated in over forty years in the field**, that the new lower light levels recently specified and installed in our school; do create a better learning environment for our children. Not only are our staff, teachers, and **other school stakeholders** better able to utilize the myriad of new technologies in our classrooms; **it has been documented that** students are quieter, less fidgety, pay attention better and get less fatigued. I attribute this directly to the lower light levels.*

*An additional benefit that I am expecting to be realized soon is that the ergonomics will be improved, as well as better **academic** achievement in the classroom at every age level. I also am expecting a calmer, quieter more harmonious school **environment** year for years to come.*

I have no doubt you will share my sentiments; I strongly encourage you to please use your vote to change the rule.

On Sun, Feb 1, 2015 at 12:01 PM, <mattkiley@fairpoint.net> wrote:
Chris,

I have gotten Rep Curt McCormack to introduce legislation to have Vermont Agency of Education formally adapt the lower light level recommendations of IES. Would you review the attached letter of support and consider helping me get this necessary change made. Editing at will and returning to me would be greatly appreciated.

Matt

p.s. if you could also remember to write up a letter of recommendation for me to use in my pursuit of foundation, DOE and private funding to further my energy conservation efforts on a wider scale during my retirement.

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