Freedom and Unity Committee
June 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes
Craftsbury Public Library

Present: Jeannine Young, Susie Houston, Wendy Turnbull
Excused: Bru Mille, Emma Stout, Ada Allen, Daniel Solomon

Working Group updates:

- Craftsbury University – no update
- Civics Education
    - Memorial Day observance was well attended; sound system was questionable – need to work on it before next Town Meeting. It was suggested we ask Seth Bond to help troubleshoot & improve sound.
    - The Barton Chronicle covered the event and had a few pictures.
- Leadership – no update

Other business:

- Community Legislative Update on Sat June 6 was well attended in person (one person joined via Zoom), with good discussion for 2 hours. Lt Gov John Rodgers and Rep Leanne Harple participated; Sen John Morley was not present. All candidates are running unopposed.
    - Action item: see if Craftsbury Academy is interested in organizing & hosting an issues forum in October with Sen Morley and Rep Harple ahead of general election in Nov. Freedom & Unity to play a supporting role, if requested.
- F&U budget is largely spent. Wendy will request meeting with Andrew May, new town grants administrator, to discuss possible grants to support committee's work around Town Meeting and civic life more broadly.
- Meeting of town commissions & committees? Gauge interest of SB & Town Clerk about scheduling in November, prior to holidays and budget planning season.

Next meeting:

- Weds Sept 9, 5-6pm at Craftsbury Public Library