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PRESS RELEASE

Rachel McIntyre Named New Director of Support Services at Franklin West SU

**Fairfax, VT / June 9, 2016:** Franklin West Supervisory Union is pleased to announce that *RACHEL MCINTYRE* has accepted a position as the Director of Support Services for Franklin West Supervisory Union effective July 2016. The decision made by the Franklin West SU Board of Directors follows an aggressive search process which began mid-April 2016. The search committee, comprised of SU and school leaders, teachers, a board member, and FWSU staff, identified two finalists. The FWSU Board unanimously approved a contract for Rachel McIntyre at its meeting on June 8, 2016 based on the recommendation by Superintendent Ned Kirsch.

Rachel McIntyre is currently the Special Education Coordinator at Missisquoi Valley Union Middle & High School where she has served for the past 2 years. Prior to that, Rachel was a Special Educator at BFA Fairfax for 14 years. She received her M.S. in Special Education from University of Vermont. Rachel lives in Fairfax with her husband and their two daughters.

"I'm really excited that Rachel is joining our team at FWSU", said Superintendent Ned Kirsch. "Her experience as a Director of Special Education in a Grade 7-12 school, coupled with her previous experiences as Special Educator at BFA Fairfax, will be a benefit for all FWSU students and families. She already knows our system and our region, which should allow Rachel to hit the ground running."

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