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## **WINDHAM ENDOWMENT PRESENTS AN UPDATE TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**

On behalf of the Windham Endowment, Vice President Diane Carpenter, provided an update to the board on the Capital Campaign for Windham High School. She said, "The Windham Endowment for Community Advancement has raised over \$107,000 for the high school in the areas of science and fine arts." Donations to the school have included musical instruments, sound equipment, acoustical shell, and the committee hopes to be able to gift specialty lighting for the auditorium with the receipt of additional contributions. She thanked all who came together to make this a successful campaign.

The Endowment continues with its initiatives including a "Team Greenhouse" subcommittee that is working on research and fundraising to bring a greenhouse to the high school for the school and town.

Diane Carpenter also provided an update on the \$20,000 matching grant for WIRE (Windham Initiative for Renewable Energy). She was pleased to announce that the challenge was met at 100%! She further explained, "As WIRE now has over 50 thousand dollars, they will send out RFP's to begin the formal process of bringing the wind turbine, solar panels, and weather station to reality."

She concluded, "The Windham Endowment is humbled by the support we have been given from the community and we are proud of the difference we are able to make in the education of our community's students and the difference the gifts will make to all who use the high school."

Along with supporting the high school, the Windham Endowment works to enhance the quality of life for all Windham residents and supports many other organizations in town. For further information visit their website at [www.windhamendowment.org](http://www.windhamendowment.org).