

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
JANUARY 19, 2011 7:00 P.M.
FREDERICK H. TUTTLE MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY**

PRESENT

Richard Cassidy, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Agnes Clift, Janine Allo, Martin LaLonde

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

John Everitt, John Stewart, David Young, Stuart Weiss, Delina Gilroy

GUESTS

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The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were none.

**CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 5 AND THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2011**

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 5 and the special meeting of January 12, 2011 as presented. There were no objections.

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Retirement(s)

Stephanie Auge, 1.0 FTE Curriculum Area Supervisor, Special Education

b. Accounts Payable Orders

#TP6 \$ 1,620.37
#26 \$169,740.09
#27 \$119,138.62
#27A \$ 1,456.08
#27B \$425,035.66

Mr. Everitt noted the retirement of Ms. Stephanie Auge and thanked her for her many years of dedicated service. He also thanked Ms. Auge for the advanced notice as her position will not be an easy position to fill.

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the board to approve the consent agenda as presented. There were no objections and the consent agenda was approved as presented.

CONSIDER AND APPROVE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING

Ms. Fitzgerald moved and Ms. Clift seconded the motion to approve the annual school district warning as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION BY HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM CLASS THAT PRODUCES *THE REBEL WORD*

South Burlington High School students Amanda Arena, Ajay Patel, Tanner Choiniere, David Biral, Taylor Savas, and Beth Boucher presented on the high school journalism class that produces *The Rebel Word*. The board and audience asked several questions about the presentation. The students recognized and thanked their teacher, Ms. Veronica White, for her support and guidance. Mr. Cassidy thanked the students for their presentation.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Legislative Breakfast—Mr. Everitt said on Monday, January 10 he attended the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce Legislative Breakfast. He said the atmosphere in the room with the new governor was very supportive of education. The governor stated three goals he has for education.

1. Students in grade 4 will be able to read
2. Career awareness for middle school students
3. Internships for students in grade 12

Chamberlin Principal Search—Mr. Everitt said the last two Chamberlin School Principal candidates are being interviewed tomorrow and the process is moving forward.

City Budget—Mr. Everitt said the city manager is recommending some unilateral changes to the fiscal and in-kind services relationship between the city and the district. He said the extent of these changes and the position of the city council are not yet clear to him. These changes are unilateral and are not being done with a full review of the existing relationship between the city and the district.

Mr. Everitt discussed an article in the *Burlington Free Press* today about one of our South Burlington High School students, Pride Geoffrey, who is a peer leader. In the article, Pride is pictured teaching relaxation techniques to FHT Middle School parents at a recent PTO meeting.

Mr. Everitt read a letter Mr. Burke sent out to his staff from a parent thanking Mr. Burke and his staff for their support during the recent Mt. Mansfield Union High School tragedy.

FIRST READING OF POLICY 2.2 TREATMENT OF STAFF

The board reviewed the policy as presented. The board asked for a historical archive of the changes to the policies. It was agreed to bring the policy back for a second reading at the next meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH PROCESS

Mr. Ray Proulx gave a brief overview of the status of the superintendent search process. Mr. Everitt will send the board possible dates for special meetings to conduct interviews.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

- There was none.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- F-35 Environmental Impact Study
- Board Actions for Community Linkage 4.2.1/Community Outreach (Beyond the Ends Policy) (*Presentation by Mr. LaLonde*)

- Federal Department of Education Plans and Direction and Alignment with Vermont Direction (*Superintendent to talk with the commissioner about this*)
- Strategic Plan (*How will the district move forward on the Strategic Plan? Inspect the relationship of the Ends Policy and the Strategic Plan.*)
- Review Policy 2.1—Treatment of Students and Parents/Guardians, Detail #6 (*Superintendent suggests March 2.*)
- Follow-up to Café (*meeting with board chairs to identify future projects*)
- Vermont School Boards Association resolution on legislative changes
- SBSD State of Education (*Have principals highlight some of the items happening in each school*)
- Prevention (Assets Survey, closed campus, SRO's, and Act 51 training) (*review in mid-March*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered executive session at 8:08 p.m. to discuss the superintendent search, collective bargaining, and a student matter and added that it would be significantly disadvantageous to the District not to do so in Executive Session. The motion was approved.

The executive session was closed at 10:45 p.m. and the regular session was reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Clerk

Richard Cassidy, Chairperson