

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
MARCH 17, 2010 7:00 P.M.
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The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT

Richard Cassidy, Agnes Clift, Martin Lalonde, Peter Nelson, Caitlyn Bishop

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

John Stewart, David Young

GUESTS

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 3, 2010

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2010 meeting as amended. There were no objections.

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Personnel

Retirement

Susan Hoffer, 1.0 FTE Consulting Teacher at Orchard School

William Price, 1.0 FTE Social Studies Teacher at High School

Leave of Absence

Ted Godfrey, 1.0 FTE Social Studies Teacher at FHT Middle School

b. Accounts Payable Orders

#35 \$145,723.11

#36 \$118,703.13

c. Consider 2010-2011 School District Calendar

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the board to approve the consent agenda as presented. There were no objections. Mr. Cassidy said both of these teachers are wonderful teachers that have been with the district for some time and the board accepts these retirements with regret.

SUPPORT STAFF RETIREMENT EXPENSE

Mr. Cassidy said the superintendent is recommending that the district increase the contribution to the support staff retirement plan in the amount of \$122,764 to avoid the unpaid liability process and make the June 15 payment by using tuition revenue funds. Ms. Clift moved to pay an additional \$122,764 to the support staff retirement plan and Mr. LaLonde seconded the motion. Mr. Cassidy urged the administration to consider

switching from the self-funded retirement system to the Vermont Municipal Employee Retirement System. The motion was approved.

COMMUNITY LINKAGE—CONSOLIDATION OF FORUM INFORMATION

Mr. LaLonde discussed the consolidated forum information distributed to board members. Mr. LaLonde said that he incorporated the information into the Global Ends Statement document and presented the forums in two different colors: red and blue. Mr. Cassidy suggested that this be discussed at a future meeting because two of the board members are not in attendance this evening.

MONITORING REPORT 2.4—FINANCIAL CONDITIONS AND ACTIVITIES— EXTERNAL AUDIT

Mr. Stewart presented the FY2009 audit. Mr. Stewart described the two items cited for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. Mr. Cassidy commended the business office for the clean audit. Mr. LaLonde moved and Ms. Clift seconded the motion to approve the audit as presented. The motion was approved.

4.1.6 BOARD PROCESS REVIEW

Mr. Cassidy suggested this be added to the next agenda.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Legislative Update—This was included in the superintendent's written report.

Staff Retirement—This was discussed earlier in the evening.

Board Summit Concept—This was included in the superintendent's written report.

Middle School Principal Search—Mr. Young announced that two candidates Karsten Schlenter and Lissa McDonald will move to the next step in the process.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

- Ms. Clift said there will be a South Burlington Schools Foundation meeting on Friday which Mr. LaLonde will attend.
- Mr. Cassidy announced that he will not be at the April 21 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered executive session at 7:33 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining and a personnel issue 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 10:06 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.