

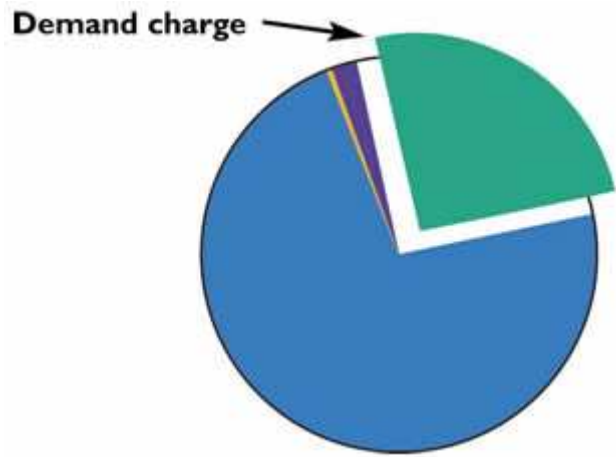
South Burlington School District
July 30, 2010

To: School Board Members
From: John Everitt

Re: Superintendent Report – August 4, 2010
Policy 2.9 – Communication and Support to the Board

1. Energy Report – Included in the board packet are graphs showing our energy use over the past few years. I believe we continue to make progress in our conservation of energy, but there is more we can do. Goals for next year include developing a strategy to reduce our high electrical use times in order to reduce the “demand” charges and to refocus our energy education steps to go to the next level with both staff and students.

Demand charge, sometimes called a power charge, is a measure of capacity or the rate at which we use energy. Demand, representing the greatest amount of energy used in a month, guides the power company in determining their required capacity.



On the electrical usage data for last year, you will notice that although our use of electricity, kilowatt-hours, declined, our costs increased. This was due to an increase in the rate and an increase in our demand.

On the gas usage data, our rate of gas per degree day has steadily declined. The lower cost last year was a combination of the warmer winter (fewer degree days), energy conservation measures, and a reduction in the cost of gas.

2. Financial Statement – John Stewart has prepared a detailed financial report on the status of last year’s budget, revenue, and expenses. This is the report that the board discussed using quarterly to change the monitoring report 2.4 Financial Conditions and Activities to an annual report. The discussion also included ideas about changing the process for approving accounts payable reports.

Please bring your policy manual to the board meeting.