

APPROVED ON OCTOBER 21, 2009

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
OCTOBER 7, 2009 7:00 P.M.
CHAMBERLIN SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

PRESENT

Richard Cassidy, Theodore Manazir, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Agnes Clift, Janine Allo

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, John Stewart

GUESTS

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Merrick said she is honored to celebrate the South Burlington Cross Country running program at the high school for their mindful approach to the cross country running team. Ms. Merrick thanked Jess Culver and Geoff Bennett, the coaches, and also the students in attendance.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2009

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting as amended. There were no objections.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Personnel
Hire
Marcy Schneider, 1.0 FTE Writing Coach, FHT Middle School
- b. Accounts Payable Orders
#11 \$768,015.50
#12 \$215,940.28
- c. Quarterly Payroll Registers

Mr. Cassidy announced a general consensus of the board to approve the consent agenda as amended. There were no objections.

ENDS POLICY – 1.1 ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY

The board reviewed the current draft and decided to see what the community thinks about the draft before any changes are made.

COMMUNITY LINKAGE—OUTREACH FORUM

Ms. Allo said that she, Ms. Clift, and Ms. Shelley met and discussed what the board wanted to accomplish at the outreach forum. They discussed the following options for the forum.

- Purpose of the focus groups
- Input on opportunities for further community engagement on the development of the End Policies
- Agenda

The board suggested inviting approximately 15 individuals to the meeting and asking them what they think.

- Is the board on the right track.
- How does the board get the community more involved and engaged.

It was suggested that the District Mission Statement should be used as a global ends statement. The board also suggested using the main categories in the global ends statements without all of the detail listed to allow for more comment.

It was suggested that as part of the focus group discussion the group might imagine what the world might be like for current graduates in 25 years.

The board agreed to go forward with the focus group model as presented and move forward with the forum. The board will do the following:

- Provide suggested invitees with a general statement of invite
- Give the group a clear understanding of the topic area
- Have some questions prepared for guidance if necessary.

The board will:

- Send Ms. Gilroy names of individuals to invite to the forum
- Draft a prompt for questions
- Draft an agenda

The date for the forum will be Thursday, November 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

CONTINUATION OF MONITORING REPORT—2.5 FINANCIAL PLANNING AND BUDGETING

The board continued the review of the monitoring report 2.5 and agreed with the changes. Ms. Fitzgerald suggested that some of this information be added to the annual budget book. The board completed the monitoring report evaluation.

MONITORING REPORT—2.6 EMERGENCY SUPERINTENDENT SUCCESSION

The board reviewed monitoring report 2.6 Emergency Superintendent Succession. The board had additional questions regarding compliance. The board would like to know what the Commissioner of Education would say about having a non-licensed administrator as an interim superintendent if needed.

REVIEW LEGISLATION

Mr. Young gave a brief overview of the Legislative Review published by the Vermont School Boards' Association.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

VSBA Conference—This was included in the report.

Federal Funds— Mr. Stewart provided a handout on Title I funds.

Bank Rates—This was included in the superintendent's report.

Monitoring Reports—These were reviewed earlier.

Current Realities—Mr. Young and Mr. Stewart gave a brief presentation on current realities.

Resident Students—This was included in the report.

Customer Feedback—This was included in the report.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

There was none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ms. Allo said she and Mr. Everitt attended the Real Estate Committee and she gave an overview of the meeting.
- Mr. Young talked about the recent award called "A Day Made Better" recently presented by OfficeMax to Chamberlin School Teacher Cindy Tan.
- Mr. Cassidy announced that he received a letter from the chief negotiator of the South Burlington Educators' Association and the South Burlington Administrators' Association to enter into negotiations with the school board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered executive session at 9:22 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining 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 10:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Theodore Manazir, Clerk

Richard Cassidy, Chairperson