

## **School Board Retreat Meeting Minutes, 8/2/13**

APPROVED

Attending: Jen Carr, Will Brooke-deBock, Gussie Bartlett, Francie Marbury – Principal, Steven John – Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Jen Carr at 1:45pm. Will seconded.

Review of the board's Guiding Principles and Implementation Guidelines.

- Francie will serve as a time-keeper in meetings
- We will work to run meetings more efficiently and get done with business in two hours, leaving one hour for discussion of other items that we track in a "parking lot" document

Reading and discussion of what parents and teachers can learn from each other.

Review of school-wide survey results.

Meeting planning for school-wide meeting to be held in mid-October.

*Action: pick date and promote the date, time and general topic in Marlboro Mixer by August 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. Board will discuss agenda in more detail at our next meeting.*

*Action: at our next meeting we will look at our calendar/work plan and discuss when different teachers could come in to talk to the board*

Jen made a motion to approve payment to the State of Vermont in the amount of \$3,014.46 for the teachers' retirement system. Unanimously approved.

Will made a motion stating that if the School District is required to make a decision about surplus funds before the next school board meeting, the board directs the treasurer to move \$25,000 to the Future Tuition Fund. Unanimously approved.

Will made a motion to authorize spending of up to \$10,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for kitchen upgrades that allow our school kitchen to meet State & Federal standards for food service. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jen Carr

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### *Upcoming Meetings:*

MES Special Board Meeting – Marlboro School on 8/13/13 at 6:30pm

WCSU Full Board Retreat – Hermitage Inn on 8/28/13 from 5-8pm, topic TBD

VSBA Regional Board Meeting – Leland & Gray High School on 9/3/13 at 6pm

MES Regular Board Meeting – Marlboro School on 9/9/13 from 6-9pm