

TOWN OF STRATTON
STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2013

The Stratton School Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at the Stratton Town Office. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

ATTENDING: Siobhan Eddy Young, Director, Thomas Montemagni, Chairman.

ON GOING BUSINESS:

The Board voted to approve the previously posted final revised copy of the Residency Policy, with Thomas Montemagni making the motion to approve, and Siobhan Eddy Young seconding the move.

The Board Chair, Thomas Montemagni, will send a letter to Ms. Siegel to formally advise her of approved residency status, (as approved during the January 3, 2013 meeting, pending written confirmation from the Department of Education of its out of state grammar school tuition policy). This letter will also formally inform Ms. Siegel of the town's having been advised by the Vermont Commissioner of Education that the Town of Stratton is not to pay tuition assistance to out of state elementary students.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Minutes of the January 3, 2013 monthly meeting and the January 24, 2013 yearly budget meeting were read. Siobhan Eddy Young made the motion to approve and Thomas Montemagni seconded.

Mrs. Boswell attended the meeting to request information regarding residency requirements. She, her husband and son currently live in Putney. Her son attends Stratton Mountain School, and she is a coach there. She and her family are considering a move to Stratton to be closer to the school.

The Board received a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Fulton requesting that tuition continues to be paid for their daughter attending an out of state high school. This request is made in light of the Stratton School Board's previous decision to no longer offer out of state tuition assistance for students attending high school, effective 2013 – 2014 school year. The Fulton's daughter has one year of high school remaining, and has received tuition assistance from Stratton for the duration of her attendance at the current school. Siobhan Eddy Young made the motion to "grandfather in" this student for tuition to her current school, and Thomas Montemagni seconded the motion.

The Board went in to executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss developing contracts to address Stratton's future educational needs. The Board was out of executive session at 7:43 p.m.

Steven John, WCSU Superintendent, phoned to report he would not be able to attend the meeting, and to inquire if there were any matters needing his attention.

The Board received notice of a family moving to Town, likely in March, with 3 school age children. The residency packet has been mailed to the family by Laura Hawksley, Town Treasurer. The family will attend the March school board meeting to present their residency materials.

The Board received notice from the Vermont Agency of Education of the announced State Average Tuition rates: \$11,520.00 for K – 6 grades, and \$13,078.00 for grades 7 – 12. The Board discussed how these rates, and the addition of 3 new students to our roster, will affect our 2013 – 2014 school budget

BILLING:

Carol A. Joyce – Contracted Services	\$ 2,835.00
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The Board determined it would need more information regarding an invoice from the Windham Regional Career Center prior to paying the invoice. The Board will ask Laura Hawksley, Town Treasurer, to seek the needed information, and will re-address the invoice at the March 2013 meeting.

The total amount of the February order was \$ 2,835.00.

As there was no other business, Siobhan Eddy Young motioned to adjourn the meeting and Thomas Montemagni seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Siobhan Eddy Young

The Stratton Residency Policy and other Stratton School Policies can be viewed at www.townofstrattonvt.com.