

TOWN OF STRATTON

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 2011

The Stratton School Board held its first meeting of the 2011/2012 school year on Thursday September 1, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Office

**PRESENT:** Thomas Montemagni, Chairman, Siobhan Eddy Young, Board member and Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell, Clerk , and Laura Hawksley, Town Treasurer

**PUBLIC:** Jill Mancivalano

The minutes of the June 23, 2011 meeting were read. Siobhan Young motioned to approve with Thomas Montemagni seconding.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ms. Mancivalano attended the meeting for the purpose of submitting her completed Stratton Residency Policy in order to receive tuition payment for her two daughters. One daughter will be attending Twin Valley and the other, Burr & Burton Academy. The Board reviewed her completed paperwork and found it to be in order. Ms. Mancivalano will submit additional documents for her file when they become available. The Board unanimously approved tuition payment.

**ON GOING BUSINESS:** Town Lister, C. Bernard, informed the Board that Mr.& Mrs. Jeffrey Gaudet had not filed their Homestead Declaration with the state. Failing to do so can jeopardize receiving tuition payment. Laura Hawksley, Town Treasurer has spoken with the family regarding this matter and urged them to attend Thursday's meeting. They did not attend. Ms. Hawksley has also spoken with Burr & Burton Academy regarding the matter and the school may bill the Gaudet family directly for tuition that is due at this time.

Mr. Siegel has contacted the Board to say that his daughter will continue to attend Hunter Montessori School in CT. At the December 2, 2010 meeting, Mr. Siegel informed the Board that he would be returning to school in CT for a two year program. However, Stratton would remain his primary residence during that time. The Board approved tuition to Hunter Montessori School with the request that billing invoices be mailed directly to the Town Office for payment.

Laura Hawksley received billing in July, 2011 for Early Education Evaluation /EEE services for a Stratton Pre-K student at The Mountain School. At the time of these services, Stratton did not have a tuition paid Pre-K program

available to Stratton residents. Therefore the Board was unsure of its responsibility in paying the invoice. At the September meeting, Siobhan Young suggested that she contact WCSU to clarify the situation. The matter will be resolved at the October 6, 2011 meeting.

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The Board signed both contracts from Sullivan, Powers & Co. They will do an audit of the Stratton audit for fiscal year 2011.

**BILLING WAS RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING:**

Invoice dated 7/19/2011 Check Warrant Report #10/11  
Carol Joyce for Special Ed

Services	\$ 1,120.00
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**IN ADDITION**

Invoice dated 9/1/2011 Check Warrant report 2011-2012  
WCSU/Assessed Program

Services	\$ 3,621.50
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The Mountain School/School

Tuition	64,700.00
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Deerfield

Academy	6,017.5
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Pomfret

School	6,017.
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NEMRC/Audit

Services	637.00
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Hunter Montessori School/ES – Private tuition Out of  
State 5,286.50

The Richards Group/policy

renewal	324.00
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Maple Street

School/tuition	16,590.50
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**The two orders were reviewed, approved and signed.**

**The amount of Check Warrant Report #10/11 was \$1,120.00.**

The amount of Check Warrant Report 2011-2012 was \$103,194.50.

As there was no other business at hand, Thomas Montemagni made the motion to adjourn the meeting with Siobhan Eddy Young seconding. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell  
Stratton School Board