

TOWN OF STRATTON STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018 7:00 P.M.

The Stratton School Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at the Stratton Town Office. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

ATTENDING: Thomas Montamagni, Chairman, Siobhan Eddy Young, Director, Allison Young, William Anton, WCSU Superintendent, Alyson Marcucci, Stratton Town Treasurer, Debra Lyon, Lorraine Weeks Newell, School Board Secretary.

MODIFICATIONS: None

MINUTES: The minutes from June 26, 2018 were read. Thomas Montemagni motioned to approve the minutes and Siobhan Eddy Young seconded. The minutes were approved.

RESIDENCY APPLICATIONS

Ms. Debra Lyon submitted several documents to be included in her Residency Application. Her VT driver's license, financial information, auto insurance & registration as well as her children's birth certificates were provided. The Board requested that she complete the residency application and provide an affidavit verifying her home residence as caretaker where she is employed. The Board also requested additional documentation regarding her children. Her application will be readdressed at the September meeting.

A request has been made to the Board by a parent regarding tuition for her child who may attend school in Europe in 2019. The Board requested that the school provide a letter of certification. The Board will readdress the request when they are in receipt of this information.

A resident whose child will be attending PreK and who receives special education services with an IEP had questions about tuition. In the past, the town of Stratton has paid full tuition for the student. Her child's IEP team has stated that it is in the student's best interest that he receive additional hours which would result in an increase in tuition expense. The Board has requested that additional information be provided from the student's team and they will readdress the issue at the September meeting.

Town Treasurer, Alyson Marcucci, informed the Board that two Stratton families have yet to file a Homestead Declaration for their property. A Homestead Declaration must be filed in order to be eligible to receive tuition assistance from the town. The Board requested that Ms Marcucci send a registered letter to each family stating that until the Declaration is filed tuition will not be paid.

OTHER SCHOOL BUSINESS

Alyson Marcucci has informed the Board that the State of Vermont has mandated a new system of accounting for school business. She shared that learning the new system would result in several days of training and feels that it would better serve the town if the WCSU receives school billing for payment. She has asked the Board to consider having the supervisory union take over the accounting for the Stratton School District. Ms. Marcucci will obtain more information and her request will be readdressed at the Board's next meeting.

BILLING

Northfield Mount Hermon School – Tuition - \$7,809.00 CK #4413

Sullivan, Powers & Co., P.C. – Assistance related to school issues - \$155.00 CK#4414

The Mountain School At Winhall – FY19 tuition - \$17,000.00

WCSU – 1st Quarter Assessment - \$14,785.00 CK#4416

The order was reviewed, approved and paid.
The total amount of the 8/7/18 order was \$39,749.00

As there was no other business brought before the Board, Lorraine Newell motioned to adjourn the meeting and Siobhan Young seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell Stratton School Board Secretary