

**TOWN OF STRATTON
STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 2011**

The Stratton School Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2011 at 7pm at the Stratton Town Office. In attendance were Thomas Montemagni and Siobhan Eddy Young for the meeting that was called to order at 7:05 pm. WCSU Superintendent, Steven John, joined the meeting at 7:25 pm. The minutes of the March 2011 meeting were read and approved.

The Stratton School Board discussed the issue of providing financial support for Pre-K. At this time, due to no recent inquiries to us from Stratton residents showing interest, and due to lack of clarity from the Vermont Dept. of Education regarding potential financial burdens to the town in regards to Pre-K, the School Board has decided to take this year to gather more information. We will present complete information regarding potential Pre-K funding prior to the March 2012 annual town meeting.

The Stratton School Board discussed needing to update the residency policy and to ensure that all area schools are issuing correct information to potential student families regarding Stratton School Board residency policy.

The School Board read the tuition agreement for Twin Valley School. Thomas Montemagni, Stratton School Board chairperson, signed the agreement.

The minutes from the March 2011 annual Town Meeting School Board meeting were read. Siobhan Young made the motion that the minutes be approved, Thomas Montemagni seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Thomas Montemagni made the motion that the Stratton School Board sign the loan agreement with the Town of Stratton for \$ 2,000.00 to cover Stratton School District immediate expenses, to be paid back by the end of this fiscal year. Siobhan Young seconded, and the loan agreement was signed.

Thomas Montemagni read a letter to Sullivan, Powers & Co., requesting a new audit of the Stratton School Board for Fiscal Year 2011. Thomas Montemagni made the motion that the School Board approve the service, Siobhan Young seconded, and the request to provide the auditing service was approved.

Superintendent John presented information that may be helpful as the School Board continues in its efforts to refine the residency policy. Superintendent John provided information regarding Federal Education Jobs Funds that may become available to the Stratton School Board, to be distributed in the near future by the Vermont Dept. of Education. The Superintendent also reported that the WCSU Board recently approved purchasing a domain name for use by local School Boards. He will keep the Stratton School Board informed as to when this will become available. Superintendent John reported on the Vermont Fiber Optic Connect project and stated that as Stratton does not have a school, no action from the Stratton School Board is needed regarding this.

Billing was received from the following:

Burr & Burton Academy – Sp. Ed. services, High School	\$ 1,692.00
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Carol A. Joyce – Sp. Ed. Contract services	\$ 630.00
Carol A. Joyce – Sp. Ed. Contract services	\$ 770.00
Charlotte Chase, reissue of check first issued Aug. '09	\$ 150.00
Leland & Gray Union H.S. tuition	\$13,650.00
Manchester School District – H.S. tuition	\$ 6,940.68
The Richards Group - Bonds & Insurance	\$ 40.00

The April 2011 order was reviewed, approved and signed.

The total amount of the April 2011 order was \$25,438.68

As there was no other business at hand, the April 2011 meeting of the Stratton School Board was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Siobhan Eddy Young
Stratton School Board