

APPROVED

**TOWN OF STRATTON VERMONT
STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD
TUESDAY, May 7, 2019
STRATTON TOWN HALL**

The Stratton School Board met as warned on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. No modification to the agenda – The board immediately recessed to enter into the Special School District Meeting warned for 7:00pm, May 7, 2019 at the Stratton Town Hall. Please refer to the Minutes of the Special School District Meeting for results of that phase of the scheduled agenda. Please refer to the Voter Checklist recorded for that meeting for a list of resident attendees – minutes of said include non-resident guests in attendance.

The Special School District Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. Immediately following the meeting, the School Board Meeting reconvened and Lorraine Weeks-Newell read the Notice for the Public Hearing to consider the adoption of a revision to the Tuition Payment Policy Code F16. Of the two options under consideration, as stated in the Notice, Policy “Option A” was the version which complemented the budget adopted at the preceding Special School District Meeting. This option offered a revised Section 3C as follows:

Tuition shall only be paid to receiving schools that enroll students deemed to be residents of the District, in accordance with a student’s Individualized Education Program Team decisions, when applicable. No tuition payment shall be made to any school that discriminates based on special education eligibility, a student impairment or disability or race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender or other protected characteristic.

Tom Montemagni moved to adopt said option. Allison Young seconded. All concurred.

At this time, the School Board recessed the meeting and moved to the Town Office, as per the agenda. The meeting reconvened with the following attendees: Chair - Tom Montemagni; School Directors - Lorraine Weeks-Newell and Allison Young; Treasurer – Alyson Marcucci; Candie Bernard, Holly Wendell, Michael Culver, Abbe Haber, Carol Huber, Jessica Baron, Robert Giunta, Ellen Giunta, Peter Ahlfeld and Mary Ann Degala-Paraiso

APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES FOR APRIL 2, 2019:

- Motion made to approve school board minutes made by Lorraine Weeks-Newell. Tom Montemagni 2nd. Motion carried.

ADDRESS RESIDENCY APPLICATIONS FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE:

MaryAnn Degala presented a completed a residency policy application with documentation consisting of:

- Live birth certificate
- Valid driver ID
- Copy of tax bill
- Certified letter from Stratton town clerk
- Deed book
- Homestead status (Pending. Homestead sent to the state, but nothing has come back yet)
- Current utility bill
- Packing slip from delivery service
- Voter registration

Conversation regarding living arrangements and general residency for the applicant followed.

REVIEW/APPROVE ORDER:

- Billing received from the following for payment. Billing was review and approved by the board.
- WCSU: \$717.50 Check# 4452

ADDRESS LETTERS TO SERVICING SCHOOLS REQUESTING THEIR COMPLIANCE TO THE TWO ADDITIONAL TUITION PAYMENT POLICIES:

Burr & Burton Academy: Complies with all 3 options
 Killington Mountain School: Complies with all 3 options
 Longtrail Academy: Complies with options 2 & 3
 Maple Street: Complies with options 2 & 3
 Northfield Mt. Hermon: Complies with options 2 & 3
 Stratton Mountain School: Complies with options 2 & 3
 Bement: Complies with option 3 only
 Mountain School at Winhall: Complies with all 3 options

CORRESPONDENCE:

Email received from a parent advising their child will be moving from KMS to Proctor Academy for school year 2019-2020. At this time, she's unsure as to her own residence. Until more information is received, no decision will be made. Alyson Marcucci to send an email response.

Email received from a parent advising their child is moving from Longtrail to BBA.

Email received from a parent advising child is moving from Bement to Northfield Mount Hermon.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Montemagni motioned to deny residency to MaryAnn Degala based on application and findings. Lorraine Weeks-Newell 2nd. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Minutes by: *Alyson A. Young*