

TOWN OF STRATTON
STRATTON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Stratton School Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 1, 2012 at the town office. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M.

PRESENT: Thomas Montemagni, Chairman, Siobhan Eddy Young, Director, Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell, Secretary and Stacie Chiodi, Stratton resident/parent.

The minutes of the February 2, 2012 meeting were read with Thomas Montemagni approving and Siobhan Young seconding.

ON GOING BUSINESS: The Board asked Ms. Chiodi to attend the meeting for the purpose of appointing her Pre-K contact person & Bridge Grant preparer for the 2012/2013 school year. Lorraine Weeks-Newell made the motion to appoint Stacie Chiodi to the position and was seconded by Siobhan Young. All approved.

As was reported in the February minutes, the Board is in the process of offering a Pre-K program to age appropriate children who are residents of Stratton. At this time, there are three children in Stratton who would be eligible for this program. Stacie Chiodi, Pre-K Bridge Grant contact person provided the Board with a copy of the VCPC, Vermont Community Preschool Collaborative 2012 application as well as a copy of the VCPC Guidelines. Siobhan Young stated that the program is contingent on receiving the grant. Ms. Young had begun the ground work earlier by contacting Manuela Fonseca, Early Education Coordinator at the Vermont Department of Education. The program will be discussed with voters at Town Meeting Day.

NEW BUSINESS: Laura Hawksley, school Treasurer, received billing for tuition for a student attending Burr & Burton Academy in Manchester. The student in question is not presently a resident of Stratton and no paper work has been completed or is on file. Ms. Hawksley is in contact with BBA regarding the situation and will provide the Board with all information received.

The Department of Education has announced the 2012/2013 tuition rates:
Union Elementary Schools is \$11,119
Union Schools Grades 7th – 12th is \$12,461

The Stratton School Board has requested that all current Stratton families whose children are receiving tuition complete an up-to-date information sheet to be kept on file at the office.

The School Board signed the yearly payroll order for the Board members.

Steven John, WCSU Superintendent, e-mailed to the Board a copy of the Superintendent's Report for Stratton.

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Billing was received from the following:

Burr & Burton Academy High School Tuition Private/Instate	\$ 75,430.92
Burr & Burton Academy Special Education	21,264.00
Dover Elementary School – Tuition	1,312.00
Carol A. Joyce – Special Education services	630.00
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The order was reviewed, approved and signed.

The total amount of the March 1, 2012 order was \$99,756.92.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine M. Weeks-Newell