

Regional Governing Board Meeting Minutes: September 18, 2006

Location: The Dorset School, 130 School drive, Dorset, Vermont

Members Present: Frank Lamb, Chair; Claude DeLuca, Vice-Chair; Kevin Goodhue, Leon Johnson, Rob Sperber, Ed LeTourneau, Jr., Francis Kinney.

Staff and Others Present: Donna Oyama, CDC Director; Robert Montgomery, CDC Assistant Director; Greg Lewis, CDC Business Manager; Wes Knapp, SVSU Superintendent.

NOTE: Chris LaFountain, CDC Student

Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and reviewed the agenda for the evening. He thanked the Dorset School for hosting the RGB Meeting this evening.

1. Public Comments: None presented.

2. Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda, unanimously approved as a group, included:

Minutes of August 21, 2006, (amended) C. DeLuca noted Harassment and Bullying Policies were the only policies voted on at the last meeting

even though others were sent after the meeting for review. Those policies were voted on and passed at the May 15, 2006 meeting

SWVRTSD Payroll Warrants #12 & # 13

SWVRTSD Vendor Warrants #14 & #17

Resignation of Richard Lutz

Letter of Appreciation from the Board will be written by Director Donna Oyama to thank Dick for his many years of service.

Letter of condolence to Jim Boutin from the Board will be written by Director Donna Oyama

Nomination of Bruce Gabrus for Safety Services Position

Nomination of Bruce Lee-Clark for Policy Review Services.

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes, amended (voted to pay insurance amount as reported)

Education Committee report amended to include "Apprenticeship" before

Carpentry Program

3. Revenue and Expenditure Reports: Members noted the general ledger revenue and expenditure reports for August, 2006, copies of which were included in the agenda packet.

4. Superintendent's Report: Microsoft Lawsuit Settlement Issue-CDC not a diploma generating school; also, no free or reduced lunch offered; so, CDC not eligible for special funds.

Student Re-Distribution Study-much credit due to SVSU staff for spending more than 4400 hours on compiling information to prepare this report. Many townspeople have expressed an interest in seeing the meetings on CAT-TV as opposed to coming out to a meeting.

Retirement Agreements-MAU responsible for many of the long-time teacher's arrangements as they prepare to retire.

5. Director's Report: Expressed gratitude to custodial staff for a great job in preparing school for opening this year

VSVB meeting 9/26 at Manchester Elementary School; of special interest-White Paper Report, dealing with reducing boards and number of districts

MAU/CDC lease agreement; progress and cooperation ongoing

Re:use of dental space. F. Kinney will add wording from both boards.

Innovation Grant-no word on this yet

Floor stripping liquid leaked from upstairs at MAU into CDC area, ruining a printer. Custodians work for MAU, but CDC contract allows for our use-age of them. Printer replaced by CDC.

6. Other: Negotiation Teams-

CDC team will include F. Lamb and C. DeLuca; R. Sperber and B. Kobelia will inform F. Lamb at the next meeting re: availability to be on the team. E. LeTourneau,Jr. interested. Appointments will be made next month. There is money available in budget for a hired negotiator; CDC needs to be informed of their percentage for this service.

Heritage Family Bank-working with CDC to find appropriate space for a student branch office.

Fran Kinney reported signage being worked on; at this time, no solid information available

Purple Thursdays are scheduled with high interest by all; faculty, students, advisors and vendors

Kevin Goodhue asked for information re: Microsoft and e-mail Situation. W. Knapp and D. Oyama will have a joint statement.

Claude DeLuca will attend Marketing Committee meetings @ CDC as part of the Board's Outreach Committee.

Education Committee-no report

Awaiting students to add to the RGB

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.