

1 **Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District (SWVRTSD)**
2 **Regional Governing Board Meeting Minutes: Thursday, January 20, 2011**
3 Assembly Room, Career Development Center

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5 Members Present: Gloria Alexander; Justin Corcoran; Kevin Goodhue; Larry Johnson;
6 Leon Johnson (arrived at 5:08); Fran Kinney; Frank Lamb; Ed Letourneau; Jon Peaslee.

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8 Members absent: Claude DeLucia; Rickey Harrington;

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10 Staff and Others Present: Bruce Lee-Clark; Greg Lewis; Attorney Lon McClintock; Bob
11 Montgomery; Dawson Raspuzzi (Banner reporter); Sandy Redding; Kathy Slade.

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13 Videotaping: CAT TV

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15 Recorder: Barb Schlesinger

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17 At 5:00 pm Chairman Lamb called the meeting to order, welcomed all and noted tonight's
18 meeting would be abbreviated due to the SVSU meeting following at 6:30pm.

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20 **Public Comments** There were none.

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22 **Agenda Changes/ Additions**

23 The following items were noted:

- 24 • There will be no Chairman's Report
25 • The Board will enter Executive Session tonight for personnel
26 • Action item will be to vote on the Warning

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28 **Peaslee moved and Corcoran seconded a motion to accept the Agenda. All in**
29 **attendance voted in favor.**

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31 Lee-Clark, in response to a pre-meeting discussion regarding election dates, confirmed that
32 the March election is conducted on the first Tuesday of the month.

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34 **Consent Agenda**

- 35 - Minutes of the December 20, 2010 Regional Governing Board Meeting
36 - Minutes of the January 5, 2011 Outreach Committee Meeting
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38 - SWVRTSD Payroll Warrant # 14 01/18/2011 in the amount of \$ 13,608.57
39 - SWVRTSD Payroll Warrant # 1024 01/18/2011 in the amount of \$ 79,047.65
40 - SWVRTSD Payroll Warrant # 15 01/18/2011 in the amount of \$ 10,184.04
41 - SWVRTSD Payroll Warrant # 1026 01/18/2011 in the amount of \$ 60,068.78
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43 - SWVRTSD Vendor Warrant # 1025 12/29/2010 in the amount of \$ 77,108.19
44 - SWVRTSD Vendor Warrant # 1027 01/18/2011 in the amount of \$ 48,996.11

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46 **Peaslee and Alexander seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. All were**
47 **in attendance voted in favor.** There was no discussion.

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49 **Revenue & Expenses**

50 There were neither questions nor discussion

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1 **Action Items**

- 2 • *Warning of the Annual Meeting for the Southwest Vermont Regional Technical*
3 *School District No V009.*

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5 The Floor meeting will be held on Monday evening, February 28 and voting will be
6 Tuesday, March 1.

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8 **Kinney moved and Corcoran seconded a motion that the Warning be accepted. All**
9 **in attendance voted in favor.**

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11 **Change in Tuition**

12 Lewis reported on his January 7th memo regarding state aid being reduced to the amount
13 received in the past two years. Local tuition will still be reduced (by 16%). Initially, the
14 state aid rate was to increase a modest 1%; however, the legislature gave and then took
15 away.

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17 **Superintendent/ Director's Report**

18 Montgomery reported that we are off to a very good start for the second semester and
19 touched upon:

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21 1. Culinary Arts
22 - We are moving daily towards completion
23 - Offered a quick tour during the school day for those interested
24 - Offered thanks to Jim Secor (MSK) for keeping the project on track and logical
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26 2. Community Tours
27 - Meghan Maguire, Outreach Coordinator, has been organizing campus tours for
28 community members.
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30 3. Battenkill Valley Supervisory Union
31 - Bob has had several very productive meetings with Superintendent Gallagher and
32 AMHS Principal Csizmesia. Dialogue has been established and will continue.
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34 4. Distance Learning
35 - Bruce Lee-Clark is moving ahead with distance learning and things are beginning
36 to come together.

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38 Discussion:

39 Leon Johnson commented on the recent Banner article about fruit trees being planted at
40 the MAU Middle School and posed the question, 'Who's involved from here?'

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42 Brief discussion followed as to who from the community is involved with the project, CDC's
43 involvement (?), the Middle School's ACT 250 permit, and the wonderful opportunity for
44 using the project as a lab. Montgomery will work with staff and have someone get involved,
45 either Forestry Instructor Dence or Agriculture Instructor McElheny.

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47 **Executive Session**

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49 **At 5:14 pm Leon Johnson moved and Letourneau seconded a motion to enter**
50 **Executive Session for personnel. All in attendance voted in favor.**

1 Attorney McClintock as well as Acting Superintendent/ Director Montgomery, entered
2 Executive Session with the Board.

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4 **At 5:58 pm Peaslee moved and Corcoran seconded a motion to exit Executive**
5 **Session. All in attendance voted in favor.**

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7 **Clerk Letourneau read and Peaslee seconded the following motion:**

8 **The officers of the CDC are authorized to accept Dr Barone's**
9 **resignation and execute a Severance Agreement prepared by the**
10 **CDC's counsel and signed by Dr Barone.**

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12 **Hand vote was taken with six in favor and three against (Kinney, Larry Johnson, and**
13 **Leon Johnson). The motion passed.**

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15 **Adjourn**

16 **At 6:05 pm Peaslee moved and Alexander seconded a motion to adjourn. All in**
17 **attendance were in favor.**

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19 **Attachments:**

- 20 - Minutes of the December 20, 2010 Regional Governing Board Meeting
21 - Minutes of the January 5, 2011 Outreach Committee Meeting
22 - Payroll Warrants #14 & #1024 Dated January 18, 2011
23 - Payroll Warrants #15 & #1026 Dated January 18, 2011
24 - Vendor Warrant #1025 Dated December 19, 2010
25 - Vendor Warrant #1027 Dated January 18, 2011
26 - Revenue & Expenses
27 - Treasurer's Report
28 - Lewis memo re Change in State Aid Rate
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