

VASBO Meeting
November 8, 2013
VSBIT Office
Berlin, Vermont

Present: See Attached.

Bob Mason called the meeting to order at 9:32am.

Secretary's Report

Cindy Koenemann-Warren made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Tisha Hankinson. No discussion, motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Robin Pembroke made a motion to accept the report, seconded by John Stewart. No discussion, motion carried by voice vote.

Announcements

Bob Mason spoke about attending the early childhood summit – Unveiling of change in the Early Childhood development

Rick Pembroke spoke about a new committee, Health Care reform. He updated that there is a plan out there for Vermont to become a single payer state in 2017. He also advised that any contracts being negotiated should be for a shorter term such as 1-2 years. He also noted that the single payer system would be payed for through a payroll tax.

Committee Reports

Handbook II Group

It was announced that it is a long process but they are still working on it.

Tri-State Conference

A rough draft of the agenda for Tri-State will be ready in January. MLK Day registration online should be available.

UPDATES

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank

Bob Giroux spoke about a scholarship that the Craftsbury School had formed in the name of Rita Davis. She was a member of VASBO for many years and Bob asked that VASBO donate \$100 to the scholarship fund. The motion was made by Susanne Gann and seconded by Laura Jakubowski. Motion carried.

Bob also spoke about a hand out that he had regarding bond schedules and how to calculate interest rate and expense.

VSBIT

Don Morrill & Laura Soares –

Spoke about the schedule for 11/13, 14, and 15 for VSBIT U.

He also spoke about the new program call VSBIT Cares. Also the Unemployment program that could have a possible rate change around Thanksgiving time. Laura mentioned that the Dental Rating was not available yet. Health increase for FY 15 should be at 4.5%

The affordability calculator should be coming out soon

Wellness Adventure registration is now open.

Child Nutrition

Nancy Lewis spoke about the new administrative review process for school meals. She was also asked id PAR Federal time documentation will be required, she couldn't answer at that time but will follow up on that.

AOE

Margaret Schelley – SPED reports are due – Nov 15th. She is hearing that a cut of 5 to 6% in IDEAB funds is possible.

Brad James – Prior year ADM revisions were due by Nov 15th. He is hearing from Ways and Means that the base amount will be decreased by 1% to \$9109 and the base tax rate will increase by 4 to 5 cents.

VSA

Jeff Francis

Expects that most school budgets are going to be very volatile this year.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tonia Mears

Sign in

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Cheryl Scarzello
Laura Jakubowski
Mike Nadeau
Cindy Ti-W
Bob Masow
Karen Atwood
~~Bob Masow~~
Laura Nassan
Christina Kimball
DAVID LARCOMBE
Bob Giroux
Kathryn Ducharme
Jeri Blood
Frank Pfeifer
Gerald Hawkins
Tisha Hankinson
Cynthia Rossi
Rebecca Colet
Keith Merrick
Dick Paulson
Jim Young
Brenda Fleming
~~John Young~~
Rick Pembroke
Robin Pembroke
Gas Ditt
Grant Geisler
Laura Soares
John Stunt
Kathy Cannon
Kather Wright
Lora McAllister
Rebecca HART
Martha Hayes
Skip Tidd
Paul Garozzo

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Tom Pett
Verna LEMUS
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Margaret C. Schell
Basil James
Laurie Colgan
Lynne Carpenter
Edie Peacock
Michelle Baker
Susanne Gann
JEFF FRANCIS

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