

VASBO Meeting
September 13, 2013
VSBIT Office
Berlin, Vermont

Present: See Attached.

Rick Pembroke called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

Secretary's Report

Steve Heir made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Tisha Hankinson. No discussion, motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Hier made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Mike Nadeau. No discussion, motion carried by voice vote.

Announcements

Tom Petit suggested that we send a Thank you to the Steak House. Rick Pembroke asked the Secretary, Tonia Mears, go get a card and send.

Grant Geisler was asked to get Bob Mason, President to add the Web address to the letter head.

Committee Reports – Executive Council will update the committee list and send out an email regarding the opening.

Certification

Lori Bibeau announced that the Boot Camps are eligible for certification hours. The certification committee sometimes meets more than quarterly. All of the certification forms are on the VASBO website.

Louis Milazzo was recognized for 5 years

At the next meeting the pins for National ASBO will be handed out.

Audit Committee

Donna Benoit and Robin Pembroke have reviewed the treasurer's records for the last fiscal year with no findings.

A motion was made by Marilyn Frederick and seconded by Glen Hankinson to accept the audit committee's report, motion carried by voice vote.

Handbook II Group

Steve Heir announced that the committee has been meeting for 1 year now. They have worked through most of the expenditure accounts. The revenue and balance sheet accounts are next but not many changes are expected. The different levels will also be addresses.

Tri-State Conference

The conference will be held in May in Burlington at the Sheraton. The theme is "Catch 22". They are still developing the programs.

UPDATES

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank

Bob Giroux Reported that VMBB has a new website. www.vmbb.org The site is more organized. There are 4 new quick action buttons:

1. Loan Search/Loan Schedules
2. Request of a repayment schedule
3. Knowledge Center – Q & A Section
4. Announcement section

Bob also reported that the interest rate has gone up, a 20 year bond a year ago was at 3% and currently it is at 4.1% for a 20 year bond.

VSBIT

Don Morril – Welcomed VASBO to VSBIT's new facility. He also announced that they have 48 out of 60 SU's as multiline members.

The Fall Luncheon for members has been scheduled for the following:

Oct 16th – Colchester

Oct 17th – Rutland

Oct 18th – Berlin

Boot Camp conferences set up for September and November

Workers comp audits are due, it cannot be completed until all audits have been received.

Laura Soares - VSBIT and VEHI

She had hand outs that she went over very quickly. Laura also stated that she had a list the Business Managers needed to check showing the schools/districts were considered large, small or on the bubble. This was determined by using the FTE calculator that was supplied by VEHI.

Laura also let us know that the excise tax would start in 2018 for the JY plans.

She then went over in detail the HCR action list.

AOE

Margaret Schelley – The final reimbursement rate for FY13 is 56.54%. Payments are going out on Monday 9/16/13. The FY14 reports are now available. FY15 service plan paperwork is out there and they are due back to the AOE Oct 15th.

Vaughn Altemus – Special Education working group held a meeting on 9/16.

Brad James – FY14 G3 updates (went over John Leu's email) many more grants have been added to the G3 reporting system.

Reminder that the excess penalty percentage is now 123% for the FY15 budgets.

Brad also mentioned that the Two Vote rule is done. 3

He also mentioned that Joint fiscal after looking at the trends are expecting a 5-6 cent increase on the base rate.

VSA

Jeff Francis

Spoke about the VSBA conference on Oct 24 and 25th. Nate Levinson will be the guest speaker. Thursday's workshops will be focusing on Transforming Schools and Fridays focus is Funding a world class education system.

Website Updates:

Grant

Will be adding the Treasurer's report to the website, he is also working on making sample RFP's and Contracts more private.

The Oct 11th meeting will be held at the VSBIT offices, please invite others to attend for the VSA presentation

Meeting was adjourned at 12:11pm.

Sign in Sheet :

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Quinn MacLeod	ECSU
Tonia Meares	WNWSU
STEVE HIER	SPANGFIELD
Laura Nassau	ACSU
Mike Nassau	CSSU
Laura Benoit	OWSU
Randy Morton	Windham Central
Bob Caroux	UHB
Andy Lundeen	LSSU
Marilyn Frederick	LNSU
Michelle Baker	Windham
Michelle Baker	WWSU
Aeri Blood	Blue Hill
Tom Felt	CNSU
Candy Chapus	GISU
Christina Kimball	WNESU
David Leanders	WCSU
Katie Roth	Colchester
Dick Paulson	Rivendell
Keith Merrick	OESU
LOU WIBEK	WESU
Heather Wright	OCSU
Grant Geister	CCSU
Rick Pembroke	SUSU + BVSU
Tiana Hankinson	OCSU
Glenn Hankinson	NCSU
Jeanne Ouellette	CCSU
Mark Cluett	WSSU
Shelly G.	Merchants
Brenda Fleming	RNESU
Barbara Phillips	ARCSU
Martha Sagner	FSK
Kathy Cannon	ANWSU
Sydney Carpenter	BSU
John Gray	BSU
Robin Pembroke	OCSU
Quinn	VSO
Anna, Annmer	FWSU

Edoardo Cole

WNECU

Cheryl Seagel

RCSU

DAVID LARCOMBE

BURLINGTON

Chris Adams

TRSY

Louis Milazzo

RSUSU

Chilgendorf + Stalbot

ACE

Paul James

AOE

Aaron Braden

AOE

Margaret Schully

AOE