

**MINUTES OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING
SMILIE SCHOOL, BOLTON, VT
January 2, 2002**

Meeting came to order at 7 pm.

ATTENDEES:

Vicky Congdon, Gail Conley, Judy Gendron, Fred Kenney, Lisa Wells, and Ann Whitman
Guests: Phil Graff, Sue Boyer

GENERAL ITEMS:

1. Sue Boyer introduced herself as a Richmond resident. She is a regional coordinator for the Teacher Quality Network, an umbrella organization of VISMT (Vermont Institute of Science, Math & Technology). She encouraged the Board to attend the VISMT's annual meeting at Killington in August. She is also interested in the principal position at Smilie.
Phil Graff is interested in the open seat on the School Board. Lisa will pass his name on to the Selectboard.

2. Fred moved to accept the previous meeting's minutes as written. Vicky seconded. All approved.

3. Principal's report:

The guidance position has not been filled.

Monitoring Smilie's water supply system as required by the state continues to become more expensive. A rewrite of the Source Protection Plan is currently due. To save money, Judy Gendron is planning on rewriting it. There will also be some new tests required in 2002 and 2003.

The Statewide Improvement Grant for early literacy has been approved and the funds are available.

The Smilie Fund Account will be closed. The \$8,000 in the account will be transferred into the Bolton School Account this month.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. Ann moved to approve the Annual Meeting warning; Fred seconded. All approved.

5. Dr. Conley reviewed the principal selection process and schedule. The committee that will screen applicants and select two to three finalists by February 19th consists of: Ann Whitman and Vicky Congdon (Board members), Pat King, Nancy Coombs and Sherry Mahoney (Smilie staff), Joss Besse and Shelley Swan (community members), Jim Massingham (Central Office rep. and facilitator), and Mark Andrews (CESU principal). The Board reviewed the list of search criteria generated by the Smilie staff.

Dr. Conley distributed the Audit Report and Financial Statements and the Budget Summary and Comparison for the Bolton School District.

6. Lisa moved to approve the Invoice Edit List from 1/4/02 in amount of \$323,226.33; Fred seconded. All approved.

7. Lisa will email a draft of the school portion of the Town Report to Board members by 1/7/02. The Board reviewed committee reports for Town Meeting. Ann will also give an update on the Lund Family Center programs at Smilie.

8. Lisa moved to adopt Policy A-9-A (Educational Support System) and S-19 (Truancy), warned on 12/5/01. Vicky seconded. All approved.

9. Ann reported that Don Whitman has almost finished the network wiring, donating volunteer time through community service time offered by his employer, Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom.

10. There has been no progress on the after-school ski program at Bolton Valley. Judy has sent home forms for the Cochran Ski Program and if the Bolton program becomes available later this winter, she will choose a different day so that kids could participate in both programs.

There were no other items of business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

The next meeting has been scheduled for 7 PM, February 2, 2002, at the Smilie School.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky Congdon, Clerk
Approved