

**Killington Elementary School**

**Board of Director's Meeting**

**Friday, September 5, 2014@8:15 a.m.**

**APPROVED**

Present – Loren Pepe, Principal, Butch Findeisen, Kristin Schiessl-Alf, Jennifer Iannantuoni, and David Leenders, Financial Director.

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:25 am.
2. Minutes – The minutes from August 1, 2014 were second and approved, as may be amended.
3. Public Comment/Visitors – Missy Knipes came to the School Board Meeting to thank for the 4 weeks of Summer School at KES and to provide results and the much needed program in the summer. Children benefit greatly from this program.
4. Discussion –
  - Jennifer updated the Board on the Financial Director's search. The Search Committee is working diligently to find a replacement for David Leenders.
  - FY 14 Financial Projections Report – David Leenders reported by comparison of the FY 2012 to FY2014 budgets by Departments and by Expense Type and expectation of FY2015. David also explained in detail FY 14 Variances.
5. Correspondence –
  - Letter of Retirement was presented to the Board. A motion was made to accept the retirement, second and approved.
  - Superintendent corresponded to the KES Board on the request of "Board Member Concerns" on the Agenda.
6. Principal's Report –  
Educational Issues:
  - Killington Elementary School's Mission and Vision Statement and Philosophy – revisited by KES Board and the Faculty at KES.
  - KES Summer Program Reviews – KES Summer Enrichment and Math/Reading Tutorials boasted overall good attendance and provided extended learning opportunities for our students.
  - Preschool Update - Longtime preschool teacher, Phebe Gordon, decided recently to remain in California for the school year. Meanwhile, Betty Hughes was hired to do preschool administrative work, taking the place of Kim Gaines. With Mrs. Gordon's departure, Betty Hughes will also be the lead teacher in the program.

- VEEP – KES will host the Vermont Energy Education Program throughout this school year. All students will benefit from various forms of energy education, and our sixth grade class will form a “Green Team” to analyze energy usage in the school and recommend steps we could take to conserve energy.
- Summer Coursework by Teachers – KES teachers appreciated the summer coursework taken this year in both literacy and science education and feel excited about using new teaching tools and strategies in their work with students in the upcoming year.

Business Issues:

- Enrollment to date for 2014/15 and Needs -- K-6 - 91; Preschool - 9
  - Capital Improvement - Capital Improvement Plan draft will be reviewed for future building needs and costs compiled by Dave Cleaves and the Capital Improvement team. A decision will need to be made as to the next steps in this process.
  - Safety:  
Evacuation drill – 08/28/14 ; Lockdown drill – 09/02/14;  
Bus Evac Drill – 05/08/14
  - Building and Grounds –Kid’s Kingdom mulching was completed. Fire Panel is done, but the Fire Marshall may be recommending more additional work to be done.
7. Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.

Upcoming meetings: WCSU Board Meeting – September 8, 2014 @ 6 pm, WCSU Conference room. KES Board Meeting – October 3, 2014@8:30am @ Killington Elementary School.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristin Schiessl-Alf, KES Clerk.