

**Alburgh Board of School Directors  
Minutes of January 20, 2014  
Alburgh Community Education Center**

Present: For Administration, Robert Phillips, GISU Superintendent and Janet Cerro, Alburgh School Principal; for the Board, Chairman Michael Savage, Renee Patterson, Rene "Skip" Prairie, Alton Brusco and John Goodrich (recording.).

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. *Minutes* of the January 13 meeting were accepted (with typing corrections) on a motion by Ms. Patterson (2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Goodrich).

**Principal's Report:** Ms. Cerro reported that the *ACEC Lunch Program's* four-year Division Two Process ends this year and we must decide whether to renew our status or re-apply for a different status.

**Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Phillips presented *Alburgh 2015 Budget* (CM Chaples 1/20/14) as well as *Homestead and Non-Residential Education Tax Rates, FY 2015* (CM Chaples 1/20/14).

**Board Discussion:** Members reviewed Mr. Phillips' handouts (above) and compared line items with previous editions and discussed the few slight changes. The Board reiterated its appreciation of Administration's efforts to maintain conservative, precise line item requests. – Mr. Prairie reported that the "skirt" for the cottage classrooms is fully installed.

**Executive Session:** At 6:26 p.m., Mr. Goodrich moved (Ms. Patterson 2<sup>nd</sup>) "To enter **Executive Session** to discuss a personnel matter." (Unan.) **Executive Session** concluded at 7:25 with no action taken.

**Board Action:** Mr. Brusco reviewed the ACEC's accounts payable for January, 2014 and Mr. Prairie moved (Ms. Patterson 2<sup>nd</sup>) "to pay the current bills as presented." (Unan.) – Mr. Brusco moved (Mr. Goodrich 2<sup>nd</sup>) "to authorize the proposal presented tonight by Mr. Phillips." (Unan.)

**Board Correspondence/Sharing:** Mr. Goodrich encouraged Members to consider participating in a VSBA "Webinar" on future teacher and staff health insurance coverage in the state of Vermont. - Dates were set for future meetings, February 3, 17 and Town Meeting Eve (Monday March 3) and March 17.

Mr. Brusco moved (Mr. Goodrich 2<sup>nd</sup>) to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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John Goodrich, Clerk

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Renee Patterson

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Rene "Skip" Prairie

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Alton Brusco

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Mike Savage, Chairman

