

**Alburgh Board of School Directors
Minutes of February 26, 2014
Alburgh Community Education Center**

Present: GISU Superintendent Robert Phillips, Chairman Michael Savage, Rene "Skip" Prairie, Alton Bruso and Renee Patterson, recording.

Mr. Savage called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm. *Minutes* for Board meetings of January 20 and February 17 were both approved, unanimously, on motions by Mr. Prairie (each 2nd by Ms. Patterson.)


Vermont School Boards Association bulletins, reflecting causes of the state's education tax increases for 2014-2015, were distributed and reviewed. Vermont taxpayers need to be informed that the Legislature, more than School Boards, are responsible for school tax increases in FY 2014. The Alburgh Board of School Directors' presented Budget increase is very modest again this year; the state legislature is responsible for most of the property tax dollar increases this Town Meeting Day.

Board Discussion: The Board reviewed our most recent expenditure and revenue figures for Alburgh School's FY 2015 Budget. - The "goldenrod" flier, inviting voters to the polls on March 4, was reviewed. - The Board decided that a "white" flier, published by the *Vermont School Boards Association* (see above) would also help Alburgh voters on March 3 and 4. - Members discussed anticipated Town-School Meeting questions and answers.

Board Action: Ms. Patterson moved (Mr. Prairie 2nd) "to authorize payments of accounts payable as presented by Mr. Bruso on February 26." (Unan.)

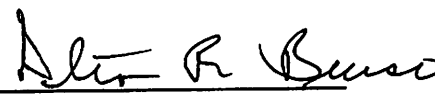
Adjournment was moved by Mr. Bruso (2nd by Mr. Prairie) and accepted (Unan.)

Respectfully submitted,



John Goodrich, Clerk

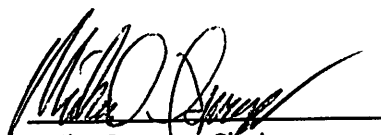
Renee Patterson



Alton Bruso



Rene "Skip" Prairie



Mike Savage, Chairman