

# Central Vermont Unified Union School District Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

6:00 pm

Williamstown Middle High School, Williamstown, VT

## Agenda

1. **Roll Call** 6:00 pm
2. **Agenda Revision** 6:01 pm
3. **Public Participation** 6:02 pm
4. **Reports to the Board** 6:20 pm
  - Superintendent
  - Chairperson
  - Committee Updates: Policy, Renaming the District, Community Outreach, Mission
  - Athletics
5. **Items for Board Action** 6:30 pm
  - Approval of Minutes: Regular – 01/03/2018
6. **FY19 Budget** *Action* 6:35 pm

The Board will discuss and take action on the following items:

  - Family and Consumer Science Program
  - Wood Technology Program
  - Use of the Fund Balance
  - Handling of Food Service Debt
  - Future of the funds recaptured as a result of the change in health service
  - Special Articles;
    - Emergency Generator for Williamstown Elementary School
    - Establishing a Capital Improvement Fund with annual contributions
  - Final FY19 Budget Proposal
7. **Future Agenda Items**
  - Proficiency Based Graduation Requirements/Community Service
8. **Adjournment** 8:00 pm

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Peter Evans, Chair  
Central Vermont Unified Union School District

Susette L. Bollard, Superintendent, ONSU  
Central Vermont Unified Union School District  
Temporarily Assigned to ONSU by  
Vermont State Board of Education

### Next CVUUSD Meetings

-Mon Feb 5 2018 6:00pm Brown Public Library in Northfield  
-Weds Feb 21 2018 6:00pm Williamstown Middle High School

Next CVSU Meeting  
TBD

**Central Vermont Unified Union School District Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 3, 2018**  
**6:00 pm**  
**Brown Public Library, Northfield, VT**

Minutes - Draft

1. **Roll Call**

Meeting called to order at 6:07 pm.

**Board Members Present:** Peter Evans (Chair), Rama Schneider (Vice Chair), Horace Duke, Sophia Bennett, Mike Bailey, Marie Abare

**Board Members Not Present:** Amanda Mills-Brown, Christine Motyka, Justin Wrigley

**Administration Present:** Superintendent Susette Bollard  
Superintendent Laurie Gossens

**Others Present:** Principals Ryan Parkman, Wayne Howe, Jamie Kinnarney, Scott Lang and Ben Brownell;  
Co-Director of School Transformation Michaela Martin, Business Manager Chris Locarno.

2. **Agenda Revision**

Add Announced tuition rate for Board action. Add executive session.

3. **Public Participation**

None

4. **District Tuition Rates**

Motion made to set district tuition rates at \$14,500 for grades 7-12 and \$10,300 for grades K-6.  
Passes unanimously.

5. **Executive Session**

*The CVUUSD Board of Directors in accordance with 1 VSA § 313 find that premature public disclosure of the Board's internal deliberation regarding impending staff contract negotiations at this time will clearly place the Board at a substantial disadvantage and due to this finding the Board enters executive session for the purpose of discussing contracts and labor relations agreements with employees.*

The Board entered executive session at 6:30 pm and exited at 6:35 pm. No action.

6. **Reports to the Board**

- Superintendent
- Chairperson
- Committee Updates: Policy; Renaming the District - The committee has received interesting suggestions. They will bring a few back to the board for Consideration; Community Outreach, Mission – Facilitator Peter Clark worked with ONSU faculty and staff on Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Athletics

7. **Items for Board Action**

- Minutes 12/20/2017  
Motion made by Mike Bailey to approve the minutes as presented.  
Motion unanimously carries.

8. **FY19 Budget**

The board further reviewed and discussed the FY19 CVUUSD Proposed Budget.

9. **Future Agenda Items**

Nothing new added.

10. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Williamstown Elementary School

**Jamie Kinnarney**  
Principal  
**Mitch Smoller**  
Co-Coordinator of Student Support  
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## Williamstown Schools

*Working interdependently as a community of schools to achieve the best educational outcomes for our students.*

Williamstown Middle High School

**Scott Lang**  
Principal  
**Jessica Poe**  
Co-Coordinator of Student Support  
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Coordinator of Student Wellness and Activities

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## CVUUSD Board Northern Campus January 17, 2017

### Goal 1- Multi- Tiered System of Supports

The ONSU will support schools in sustaining a MTSS that:

- supports responsive, differentiated instruction/intervention that is informed by student data and ongoing monitoring of student growth both in academics and social/emotional;
- supports a rigorous learning environment while helping students makes connections based on interest to support multiple pathways for learning
- supports the integration of Personal Learning Plans, Flexible Pathways and alternative programming to better meet needs of our students.

Winter Track My Progress data is in and teaching teams are evaluating progress. TMP is a universal assessment designed to parallel SBACs, and is our monitoring tool for students in grades six through nine currently. Ninth graders are only assessed if they have been below grade level in math or reading. Superintendent Bollard and Directors of School Transformation and Effectiveness Michaela Martin and Andrea Wasson are meeting with Principals this month to discuss our accountability plan which is a growth model. All of our data teams will be looking particularly at students who are below an expected level, and creating opportunities, interventions and instruction to advance them more than a single year's progress in order to catch them up with their peers. The winter results are in your board packet. By the time you get this report, the second trimester will be about halfway complete, and we will be soliciting feedback from students and staff. Concurrently, we will begin the process of putting together our 2017 - 2018 Guide to Seminars and Learning Opportunities for publication in February, and for students and parents to choose experiences for the 2018 - 2019 school year sometime in March. All second and third year students heard from our technical centers this week about programs and possibilities on their campuses. We encourage all of our students to explore career and technical options and programs as well as early college, dual enrollment and other flexible pathways.

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We are Respectful ❖ We are Responsible ❖ We are Safe ❖ We are Learners

## **Goal 2- Proficiency Based Learning**

ONSU will support the development and implementation of a PreK-12 conceptual Framework and Core Principles for Proficiency Based Learning to our comprehensive MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) including:

- Habits & Traits/ Transferable Skills
- Graduation Proficiencies (Content Area Standards)
- Performance Indicators
- Learning Intentions
- Assessments
- Reporting system to reflect proficiency based learning

Michaela Martin has begun the process of uniting expectations in our new district by surveying staffs about Transferable Skills/Habits and Traits through Survey Monkey. The goal is to have one unified set of expectations by the end of this school year. This will be a good way for staffs from the East subset of campuses and the West subset of campuses to be in dialogue around commonalities and expectations. The goal is to have one set of graduation proficiencies and one reporting system in place by the end of the school year. While that is an ambitious plan, there really is not an option. We are one school district. We need one common set of expectations. Schools will be able to retain their identities but the outcomes will be the same. That's a non negotiable. That work needs to be completed so that the schools on the Williamstown side of Paine Mountain can transition to a new student information management system, including professional development on its implementation as well as a common assessment system; how we report progress.

### **PBiS and Community Outreach**

As a result of an increase in incidents of sexting and inappropriate interaction through text, Snapchat and other social media platforms, we are putting together a series of opportunities for students, parents and community to learn about and strategize ways to slow or eliminate these kinds of incidents not only at school but outside of school. This is clearly an area that begs for parents and schools to collaborate. Our target audience will be parents and students in grades 4 through 9. That was not a misprint. We hope to have something in place by the end of March.

The WMHS Cohort Graduation Rate was just announced for the Class of 2017 at 87%. This is the fifth consecutive year of increase: 2012 - 65%, 2013 - 71%, 2014 - 72%, 2015 - 80%, 2016 - 83%, 2017 - 87%. Kudos to the students and staff for such a dynamic change.

Respectfully,  
Scott Lang, Northern Campus