

1                                   **Lake Region Union High School Board Meeting**  
2                                   **Lake Region Union High School - Orleans, Vermont**  
3                                   **October 21, 2019**  
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5 **Board Members Present:** David Blodgett, Michael Sanville, Tammy Wiggett, Toni Eubanks,  
6 Jennifer Edlund, Jason Racine, Pat Davis, Scott Lalime, and Gerry Cahill

7 **Administrators Present:** Andre Messier- Principal. Bev Davis- Superintendent

8 **Community Members Present:** Ed Barber- *Newport Daily Express*

9 **Call to Order:** Board Chair, Dave Blodgett, called the meeting to order at 6:16.

10 **Additions/ Deletions:** New Business additions: 1. approve authorization for Bev Davis to be the  
11 Proxy Vote for VISBIT and VEHI Health and Dental, and 2. approve an out-of-state field trip to  
12 Plymouth State University.

13 **Privilege of the floor:** None

14 **Approval of Consent Agenda Items:** Jason Racine moved to approve the following items: the  
15 minutes of the October 7, 2019 Board meeting, written reports, updated FY '20 financial reports,  
16 and payment of the bills. The motion was seconded by Pat Davis and approved.

17 **Old Business**

18 **OCSU Food Service Charging Procedure:** After much discussion about the best way to  
19 comply with VT AOE expectations around having and following a food service charging policy  
20 while, at the same time, not denying any child a meal, Michael Sanville moved to increase the  
21 meal charging limit to \$100. It was seconded by Jason Racine and approved.

22 **New Business**

23 **Hiring of JVA Boys Basketball Coach:** Jason Racine moved to approve hiring Travis Terrell as  
24 the JVA Boys Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 winter season. It was seconded by Pat Davis  
25 and approved.

26 **Hiring of JVB Boys Basketball Coach:** Jason Racine moved to approve hiring Blake Fletcher  
27 as the JVB Boys Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 winter season. It was seconded by Pat  
28 Davis and approved.

29 **Appointing a VISBIT/VEHI Proxy Vote:** Jason Racine moved to approve appointing Bev  
30 Davis as the Proxy Vote for VISBIT and VEHI Health and Dental for the following year. It was  
31 seconded by Jennifer Edlund and approved.

32 **Approving an Out-of-State Field Trip:** Jason Racine moved to approve a Gear-Up funded out-  
33 of-state field trip to Plymouth State University on November 6, 2019. It was seconded by Pat  
34 Davis and approved.

35 **Administrative Requests/ Reports**

36 **Senior Exhibitions of Learning:** Mr. Messier reported that the first round of Senior Exhibitions  
37 of Learning was held on Thursday, October 10, 2019. Forty seniors gave 15-minute presentations  
38 related to the learning and growth documented in their LRFolio. These presentations were  
39 facilitated by Lake Region faculty and attended by family and friends. Faculty members were to

40 debrief the experience at an upcoming meeting and make adjustments to the process if deemed  
41 necessary. The next round of Exhibitions of Learning was to be held in January.

42 **Spring Science Testing Results:** Mr. Messier reported that the State AOE had released the  
43 results of the Vermont Science Assessment, which was taken by Lake Region juniors last spring.  
44 50% of Lake Region students were proficient or above on the assessment. This was above the  
45 state average of 42%, and well above Lake Regions past results on the older version of the state  
46 science test.

47 **Budgeting Process:** Mr. Messier handed out an initial draft budget. The draft indicated a 5%  
48 increase in expenditures over the current year's budget. Mr. Messier pointed out the four main  
49 drivers to this increase. The cost drivers included salary increases, changes in insurance costs, an  
50 increase in student tuition expense (under Act 173), and an increase in Special Education costs.  
51 Michael Sanville reminded board members that the Finance Committee would meet on October  
52 28, November 11, and November 18, 2019 to work on the budget and that all board members  
53 were welcome to attend and have input.

54 **LR Board Member Election:** Bev Davis reported that she was working to gather information  
55 about how Lake Region board members would be elected, now that the elementary schools were  
56 unified. In the past, Lake Region board members were elected at individual school district annual  
57 meetings, but since those districts no longer exist, a new procedure for electing LR board  
58 members was needed. Initial information suggested that LR board members would now be  
59 elected at individual town meetings. However, that still raised questions about how the Barton  
60 and Orleans members would be elected. Bev agreed to look into this issue further.

61 **Executive Session**- None

62 **Business of the Board**

63 **Career Center RAB Report:** Michael Sanville reported that the Career Center advisory board  
64 had met. There was nothing new to report.

65 **OCSU Board:** Dave Blodgett reported that the OCSU Board would meet on October 28, 2019.

66 **Future Agenda Items**

- 67 • Board Retreat
- 68 • Solar Learning Lab

69 **Upcoming Meetings**

- 70 • Finance Committee- Monday, October 28, 2019 at 5:00 PM
- 71 • Full Board- Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:15 PM
- 72 • Finance Committee- Monday, November 11, 2019 at 5:00 PM
- 73 • Finance Committee- Monday, November 18, 2019 at 5:00 PM
- 74 • Full Board- Monday, November 18, 2019 at 6:15 PM

75 **Adjournment:** David Blodgett adjourned the meeting at 7:51.

76 Respectfully submitted,

77 Tammy Wiggett