

1 **Lake Region Union High School Special Board Meeting**
2 **Lake Region Union High School - Orleans, Vermont**
3 **April 20, 2020**
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5 **Board Members Present in Person or by Phone:** Dave Blodgett, Jennifer Edlund, Tammy
6 Wiggett, Toni Eubanks, Michael Sanville, Pat Davis, and Linda Michniewicz

7 **Administrators Present in Person or by Phone:** Andre Messier- Principal, Bev Davis-
8 Superintendent

9 **Community Members Present in Person or by Phone:** None

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

11 **Privilege of the floor:** None

12 **Old Business**

13 **Discussion of COVID School Closure and Possible Action:** Mr. Messier reported that the
14 graduation requirements and grading and reporting criteria for the 2019-2020 school year, which
15 were approved at the April 13, 2020 special board meeting, were sent out to families. The
16 feedback from families had been positive.

17 Mr. Messier reported that third quarter report cards were being finalized and would be mailed
18 home during the coming week.

19 Mr. Messier mentioned that Secretary French was expected to provide guidance regarding end-
20 of-year celebrations on May 8, 2020, and that plans were on hold until that guidance became
21 available.

22 Mr. Messier and Mrs. Davis explained that the financial picture for Vermont education in the
23 coming year was very bleak. Budgets for the coming year have been passed, but OCSU would
24 see significant unexpected decreases in revenue. Michael Sanville expressed his thoughts that it
25 would be important to consider the loss of revenue during the current negotiations cycle.

26 Mrs. Davis offered to schedule a meeting for school board negotiations committee members to
27 discuss the budget implications of the current crisis and to create a strategy for negotiations.

28 **Executive Session**

29 None

30 **Business of the Board**

31 **Future Agenda Items**

- 32 • Continued discussion about salary increases for administration
33 • Pay for seasonal and part-time employees, and pay for summer school instructors

34 **Upcoming Meeting**

- 35 • Full Board- Monday, April 27, 2020 at 6:15 PM
36 • Full Board- Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:15 PM

37 **Adjournment:** David Blodgett adjourned the meeting at 6:36.

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39 Respectfully submitted,

40 Tammy Wiggett