

**Fayston Elementary School
782 German Flats Road
Fayston, Vermont 05673**

**Fayston Elementary School
Board of School Directors
January 8, 2009 @ 6:00 PM - Fayston School**

Regular Meeting
Approved 2/5/09

Board Members Present: Susan Daley, Michael Riddell, Bob Locket, Russell Beilke, Jean Wry
Others Present: Chris Dodge, Carla Lewis, Gussie Graves, Howard Wynn (dep 6:47)

- 6:08 Mike called the meeting to order
- 6:08 Agenda Review, Additions, and Acceptance: citizens time will include a discussion about voting at town meeting, PR will include town meeting and mission/vision discussion.
- 6:09 Citizens' Time:
Howard shared some ideas about changes to voting at Town Meeting. Australian Ballot, and how to change to the process, was explained. Highlights of Governor Douglass' speech were provided for the board to review independently.
- 6:37 Staff Time: all are happy to be back after the holiday break. Work has begun on the all school theme of Australia. The artist in residence will be a play of Australian folk tales.
- 6:38 Principal's Report: the report was reviewed.
Mission/Vision update – Chris explained what has happened since we meet with the staff in November. The next step is to roll out the draft to staff, students, parents and community. After feedback from the fore-mentioned groups, the committee will prepare a final version to present to the school board for adoption.
Town Meeting dates – a meeting was set for March 2, 2009 at 5 PM, at the school, to review presentation.
- 6:50 Superintendent's Report: Dick was not present. Mike provided some information on the Superintendent search.
- 6:52 General Business
Corrected FY10 Budget Approval
A motion was made by Jean to approve the budget as presented in the amount of \$1,659,595, subject to no significant changes in the final WWSU budget or any major changes at the state level which will have significant impact on revenues. Seconded by Susan. Passed unanimously.
Policies for Review, Amending or Adoption:
A motion was made by Susan and seconded by Bob to adopt the policies as presented for Conduct of School Board Meetings, Public Participation in School Board Meetings, and School Visits by School Board Members. Passed unanimously.
State-Level Actions, as they just reconvened yesterday, expect some for next meeting.
Update: Executive Committee and WWSU Board. There will be a meeting of the WWSU on 1/13/09 at Harwood, agenda is the budget and governance discussion.
- 7:13 A motion was made Susan and seconded by Russell to approve the minutes of October 2, November 20 and December 4, 2008 as written. Passed unanimously.
- 7:16 A motion was made by Russell and seconded by Susan to adjourn. Passed unanimously.