

1 **Chittenden Central Supervisory Union**

2 Westford School Board

3 April 12, 2011

4 Westford School Commons

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6 **Board members present:** Mark Drapa, Martha Heath, Allison Weinhagen

7 **Administrators present:** Judy DeNova, David Wells

8 **Community members present:** Eric Henshaw, David Brisson

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10 Allison Weinhagen called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m.

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12 **Consent Agenda**

13 Judy reviewed the items on the consent agenda. The administration recommends Jennifer Ellis  
14 for professional appointment.

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16 *Martha Heath made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mark Drapa.*

17 *Motion passed 3-0.*

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19 The meeting was recessed at 6:53 p.m.

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22 **Joint Board meeting with Select board**

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24 **School board members present:** Allison Weinhagan, Martha Heath, Mark Drapa, Andre Roy

25 **Select Board present:** Ira Allen, Bob Bancroft, John Quinn

26 **Administration members present:** David Wells, Judy DeNova

27 **Members from community:** Eric Henshaw, Dave Brisson, Mark Letorney, Martha Doan, Naomi  
28 Shaw

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30 Allison reconvened the meeting at 7:03

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32 **Joint Meeting**

33 Discussion was opened: Are there common interests in exploring sharing of common  
34 resources/sharing services for common purchases

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36 Some common areas/interest that could be explored is items such as mowing fields/common  
37 land/etc explore sharing resources etc to accomplish same ideas/goals

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39 Communication sharing has been discussed: the sharing of the libraries/playgrounds

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41 Common interests: school trails on the school properties

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43 General collaboration: on maintenance and identify if fill from ditching activities are needed as  
44 ongoing.  
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46 Continued use of Town road crew for maintenance of parking lot/snow removal? Will explore a  
47 more formalized agreement that what is in place now.  
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49 Another topic of discussion was to explore better usage of facilities: library/school/town offices  
50 as capacities for such are identified  
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52 School designated as emergency center/voter approved emergency equipment which will be  
53 needed for future use as a designated emergency shelter  
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55 Shared costs in joint use of facilities  
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57 Shared libraries, consensus was to maintain status quo  
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59 Mowing issues/contracts identified as possibilities of collaboration  
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61 Office supplies/copier contracts/ fuel contracts (exploring common fuel purchase)  
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63 Primary goal to collaboration is to insure financial gains are realized by both parties and in to  
64 insure state laws are upheld  
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66 Emergency equipment/first aid responders/pursuing grants for such (use at the school since it  
67 is the designated emergency shelter  
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69 Select board and School board to explore if there are common areas that joint purchases could  
70 be made to realize financial benefits/savings  
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72 Discussion with Gary on fill from ditching/is school interested in some of the fill from the town  
73 ditching  
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75 The selectboard and school board discussed the possibility of swapping some town land and  
76 school land. The land swap being proposed is the town land that is adjacent to the school  
77 would be swapped for the school land that is the area of kings hill.  
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79 Meeting adjourned at 8:03  
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81 Minutes respectfully submitted by Andre Roy, Board Clerk