

VERMONT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
BFA-Fairfax Library, Bellows Free Academy, 75 Hunt Street, Fairfax
September 20, 2011

The State Board of Education shall sustain a vision of high skills, creative thinking, and love of knowledge and learning for every student by setting education policy that ensures student achievement in a safe and healthy learning environment.

Agenda*

The current month's meeting agenda and packet materials may be accessed electronically at:

<http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/board/schedule.html#packet>

		Preliminaries	
9:45 a.m.	A	Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance Fayneese Miller, Chair	
	B	Roll Call and Introductions Chair, Board members, others	
	C	Announcements, Board Member Updates Chair, Board Members	
10:00 a.m.	D	Public to be Heard	
		Action Items	
10:10 a.m.	E**	Consent Agenda	VOTE
10:15 a.m.	F	Fairfax/Fletcher RED Mark Oettinger, Vaughn Altemus	VOTE
		Break	
		Discussion Items	
11:00 a.m.	G	NCLB Accountability Waiver Rae Ann Knopf	DISCUSS
	H	Strategic Plan Implementation: HS Transformation Rae Ann, John F, Tom A	DISCUSS
12:00 p.m.		Lunch	

Work Session

12:50 p.m.	I	Annual Focus Agenda Discussion connect to Strategic Plan Objectives connect to Legislative Agenda supported by Budget	DISCUSS
	J	Board Operations Manual	DISCUSS
2:15 p.m.	K***	Commissioner's Evaluation	DISCUSS
2:45 p.m.	L	Wrap Up and Adjourn	

*Indications of time on the agenda are best estimates, and therefore may not reflect actual time an item is addressed. We will do our best to address items within the time indicated and extra effort will be made to adhere to the time indicated for public hearing and voting items.

** With discussion.

*** If the discussion warrants and the Board so votes, this item may be held in Executive Session.

If you wish any item to be removed
for further discussion, please notify
Carol King (802) 828-5101 or
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Item E – Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of August 9, 2011 SBE Meeting

2. Independent School Actions (Pat Pallas Gray, Mike Mulcahy)

Initial General Independent School Approval:

- Grace Christian School, Bennington; grades K-12

Renewal of General Independent School Approval:

- Southshire Community School, No. Bennington; grades K-6
- Sugarwood School, Rutland; grades K-2

Renewal of General and Special Education Independent School Approval:

- Job's Mountain Academy, Newark; grades 7-12

Acknowledgement of School Names Changes:

- Great Expectations in Manchester has changed its name to the Manchester Village School; grades 1-12
- The Stevens School of Peacham in Lyndon Center has changed its name to The Thaddeus Stevens School; grades 1-8

3. Post Secondary Program Action (Cathy Hilgendorf)

Center for Cartoon Studies (CCS)

Renewal: Certificate of Degree-Granting Authority (MFA), and Certificate of Approval (Credit-bearing Courses Leading to a Certificate in Cartooning)