

## **Battenkill Valley Supervisory Union Assignment to the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union Transitional Plan**

**Rationale:** In SY2019 the Vermont State Board of Education assigned the Battenkill Valley Supervisory Union (BVSU) to the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union (SVSU) to occur on July 1, 2021. The COVID-19 Pandemic during SY2020 has unexpectedly and drastically altered the work responsibilities of both entities and the emotional toll on staff and students has been great. It would be prudent to alter the BVSU assignment to ensure a successful transition.

**Objective:** To outline specific date referenced transition actions adhering to Vermont Statute Title 16 for the BVSU dissolution into the SVSU to achieve from July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2022.

**Duties of a Supervisory Board:** 16 V.S.A. § 261a (Abbreviated to services)

- 1) Curriculum Oversight per ACT 77
- 2) Collect and Distribute Federal Funds through Consolidated Grants
- 3) Provide Professional Development
- 4) Special Education and readiness for ACT 173
- 5) Business Management
- 6) Statewide Longitudinal Data System
- 7) Human Resources
- 8) Collective Bargaining with BVSU Employees
- 9) Food Service Contract
- 10) Technology Contract
- 11) Student Transportation

**Timeline:** The transition of service should start immediately and be divided into two categories. Category 1 would be managerial in nature and not have a large impact on employees or students. Category 2 would include union employees, high need students and operating and oversight of systems that will need additional planning to avoid a negative impact on Arlington School District, Sandgate School District and the SVSU.

**July 1, 2020**- The SVSU will contract with the BVSU to provide limited business management including accounts payable and payroll. The BVSU Business Manager will aid the SVSU Business Manager to implement the requirements of the Statewide Longitudinal Data System throughout the year. The BVSU will terminate their Payroll, Account Position.

**July 1, 2020**- Begin work on the Consolidated Federal Grants. The BVSU CFP Coordinator will inform the SVSU CFP Coordinator of allocations and spending for SY2021. The Coordinators will work jointly to submit the SY2022 CFP Grants.

**July 1, 2021**- The BVSU would no longer employ a Business Manager and CFP Coordinator. Services to be implemented under the supervision of the SVSU:

- 1) Collect and Distribute Federal Funds through Consolidated Grants
- 2) Business Management
- 3) Statewide Longitudinal Data System
- 4) Human Resources
- 5) Collective Bargaining with BVSU Employees

**July 1, 2022**-The BVSU is dissolved and BVSU duplicate employees terminated. The SVSU assumes services:

- 1) Curriculum Oversight per ACT 77
- 2) Provide Professional Development
- 3) Special Education and readiness for ACT 173
- 4) Food Service Contract
- 5) Technology Contract
- 6) Student Transportation

July 31, 2020