Grand Isle Supervisory Union

South Hero School District

School Board Regular Meeting Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 6 p.m.

Location: Folsom Education & Community Center

Agenda

Call to Order

6:00 p.m.
6:01 p.m.
6:05 p.m.
6:15 p.m.
6:20 p.m.
6:40 p.m.
6:45 p.m.
7:30 p.m.
7:35 p.m.
7:35 p.m.
7:35 p.m. 6:45 p.m.

Note: Executive Session: If discussion warrants and the Board so votes, some items may be discussed in Executive Session pursuant to VSA 1 §313(a)

Discussion Items - Issues the Board needs to discuss and deliberate, but upon which no action is taken at this meeting.

Action Items - Issues that require the Board to make a decision by vote, may have been discussed over several meetings prior to this point.

Consent Items - Routine matters that need no discussion by the Board, but require Board approval. They are grouped together as a single agenda item. Background materials are provided in the Board packet to be reviewed ahead of the meeting. If there are no concerns, they are approved with a single vote. Any member can request the Board remove an item to be discussed and voted on separately. This frees up time at meetings.

Information Items [Incidental Information] - Matters the Board needs to know about, but for which no Board action is needed. The information flow is one way, from presenter to the Board. Questions for clarification are entertained as time allows.

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School Board Regular Meeting
Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019, at 6 p.m.
Location: Folsom Education & Community Center

DRAFT MINUTES

Call to Order

1. Call to order at 6:02 p.m.

Introductions. In attendance:

- -Board members: Melanie Henderson, Tim Maxham, Bob Chutter, Erin Morse
- -Staff: Michael Clark, Rob Gess, Julie Pidgeon
- -Audience: Jim Jones (LCATV), Andy Chevrefils, Maegan Chevrefils, Laura Graves
- 2. Adjustment of Agenda
- -Add discussion of water testing under item #10
- 3. Public Comments

None. Maegan Chevrefils said she would like to speak about the Champlain Islands Parent Child Center

- 4. Consent Agenda (Action)
- A. Approve minutes from Nov. 7, 2019.
- B. Chutter made a motion to approve the minutes of the Nov. 7, 2019, meeting. T. Maxham seconded the motion. Approved on a voice vote.
- 5. Reports

None.

Board Business

6. FY21 Budget (R. Gess) (Discussion): Gess reviewed the first draft of the FY21 budget. He shared that he met with principal Susan McKelvie to review the line items. Wages, benefits and tuition make up about 70% of the budget, which is unchanged. GISU has received guidance from VEHI to expect a 13% increase in health care benefits. This amount is dependent on statewide negotiations. Sometime between Dec. 15-20, Gess expects a decision on statewide health insurance. The budget also includes assumptions about salary as contracts will be negotiated this year. Gess said the library space renovation will be in year 2 of the three-year plan.

Gess reported some changes in how special education costs for students at private schools are budgeted per the state. Since the GISU submitted its service plan, these changes were made at the state level. The

GISU received permission to reflect the private school special education costs in its special education budget.

Tuition: This year, there are 63 tuitioned students; 23 of those students will be graduating. There are 10 eighth-graders moving to high school. Gess said he has calculated 40 returning students, plus 10 graduating students, plus 8 additional possible students. He calculated a 3% increase in tuition. He said health care costs are driving an anticipated 3% to 5% increase in tuition across the state.

The board discussed the budgeting of a retirement incentive. Chutter asked about a 13% increase in the salary line item. Gess said that figure represents anticipated increases and staff step increases. Chutter asked for the over-budgeted amount for 2020. Gess said he recalls \$43,000, which partially explains the increase in the line item for FY21.

Gess said he anticipates the Health Reimbursement Account will be fully spent in the future due to the changes in statewide health insurance.

Gess noted this draft of the FY21 budget projects a 3.4% increase. Clark said the FY21 total is drafted at \$3,990,000, but GISU is waiting for data from the state, including the equalized pupil count, that impacts the budget.

Morse asked about the food service budget. Gess said it is a separate budget and not part of the General Fund budget. Morse asked about the budgeted amount for physical education and the various specials teachers. Gess said the principals generally ask for feedback from teachers. Pidgeon confirmed McKelvie did ask staff for feedback for the budget. Morse asked about instructional sports. Gess said the item covered transportation to away games.

Maxham asked Henderson if the board would be reviewing the budget by line item as it had in the past. There was discussion of how the food service fund transfer was accounted for in the budget.

Maxham asked about the final FY18 audit from Sullivan and Powers. Clark shared that he is in frequent contact with the auditors.

Morse asked about the line item for the district nurse. Gess clarified that line item 294 is the health assistant, not the district nurse. It was updated.

The board discussed the timing of the line-by-line budget review. Clark encouraged the board to take the initial draft home to review and return to the first meeting in December for the line item review.

Chutter asked about a \$57,000 increase in the GISU assessment. Gess said it is primarily due to the \$320,000 in disallowed costs due to an Agency of Education audit. Gess explained that when the AOE audited the FY18 audit results, it disallowed some costs that were charged to grants because of documentation requirements. Because those expenses could not be charged to a federal grant, that amount had to be absorbed at the GISU (local) level. That amount has been budgeted for FY21 at the GISU level, and South Hero will be responsible for its portion of the cost in the GISU assessment. Clark clarified that the disallowed cost was primarily not special education.

Regarding tuition, Clark clarified that the tuition charged has to be within 3% of the cost to educate students in the receiving school's budget. Chutter noted South Hero cannot control the budgets in other towns, so if a budget goes up 10%, South Hero may see a 10% increase in tuition to that school.

7. Review of board's draft mission statement (M. Henderson) (Discussion)

Henderson said the board has drafted a mission statement. She read the statement. She noted the board tried to add more information about the board's role as a liaison to the community.

The statement is as follows:

The South Hero School Board will provide an environment where all Folsom students receive an education that prepares them for any future they choose. We will make efficient use of South Hero's financial investment in our school. We will engage the community with regular communication and academic information, and encourage the community to share their talents with the school.

Maxham said the next step is to publicize it to the community and get feedback. Henderson said typically the board publishes it at Town Meeting. Clark asked if the board would like the mission statement to be distributed to the public in a Google survey to provide a method for feedback. The board discussed publicizing the statement on Front Porch Forum and through the school's newsletter. Henderson said she can set up a Google survey. Clark said the district can provide that help. The board discussed ways of communicating.

8. December meeting schedule (M. Henderson) (Discussion, possible Action)

The board's next meetings will be Dec. 5 and Dec. 19, 2019. The board did not change its regular schedule.

9. Parent Child Center Communication re: Space (M. Clark) (Discussion)

Clark referred the board to a letter from the Champlain Islands Parent Child Center. He noted principal McKelvie had discussed with the board earlier the school's need for the space being used by the CIPCC and had notified the CIPCC in the spring that it needed the space. Clark said the original invitation three years ago was for the CIPCC to use Folsom temporarily. Clark said both he and McKelvie have met with the CIPCC. The school has offered to host a mobile classroom. Clark said he has walked through the building to look at the space options. He noted one of the classrooms in that wing of the building is smaller than usual. The building also has some issues with storage that have been brought to the school's attention by the fire marshal.

Clark said the CIPCC is asking the board to review the decision. Clark said the policy related to building use makes it clear that it is at the principal's and superintendent's level of authority. Chutter asked about the ages of the 13-19 children affected, and it was clarified they are of school-age. Chutter asked about the option of using the library. Clark said the challenge is the center must follow certain licensing requirements from the state. J. Pidgeon shared that the staff is not unwelcoming to the children being at school after-school, but the staff's understanding is that the classroom must be vacated before the school day ends, which is untenable to the teaching day. Morse asked for clarification on how the space would be used. Clark said the wall would be moved, making the classrooms larger. It would also create a sensory space for IEP needs and storage. There is a possibility of moving grade clusters closer together.

Maxham and Clark noted the board would not make a decision at the meeting. Clark said the board must decide whether to add this to the agenda of its next meeting. Henderson said the policy is clear the building use is first and foremost for the use of the education of students, and it is the principal's job to

choose how the space is used. She noted it would be a big change to adjust the policy. Chutter said the policy is clear, and the community has the right to ask for an adjustment to the policy.

Chutter said when his children were at Folsom the building held more students. He wonders why the school cannot find a space for the after-school students. However, if the principal says no space can be found, then he supports that decision. Chutter noted it is also a PR issue. Morse said it's a community issue. The school is a big part of the community. Everybody needs to work together to be part of the solution. Chutter said he would like to learn more about the restrictions on space use related to the licensing requirements of the CIPCC. He said this situation is not ideal.

Henderson asked Clark to learn whether there could be some shared space, such as the library. Chutter said he would like to see the school's response in writing about what space options have been offered. Clark then summarized what the board would like at its next meeting:

- -a written summary of information about the school's investigation into the space needs and options offered.
- -an assessment of sharing space in the library
- -more detail on how CIPCC's licensing requirements impact space needs

Henderson said the board will look at the details in writing and review the information. The board will determine after that review whether to invite the CIPCC to the board to discuss the issue. Henderson says the board feels the human side of the issue and noted her children attended the center. She also said she does not want to force a teacher to share classroom space.

A. Chevrefils asked for an opportunity to speak. He said the CIPCC is an important part of the Folsom and South Hero community. He said having a good after-school care program is important. He believes there is an opportunity to find common ground. M. Chevrefils said they are concerned parents. She said she loves both communities and is hopeful they can work together to solve the problem. She is worried about losing the after-school care.

10. Other

Water testing: Act 66 requires all schools to be tested by December 2020. All taps used for drinking and cooking must be tested. All of the schools in GISU did a tap inventory this past summer. The school's scheduled date for testing those taps was different from the Champlain Islands Parent Child Center. The Parent Child Center tested 2 taps at Folsom School this past summer, the one in their room and the one in the water fountain outside their room. They submitted the samples to the Department of Health. They received the sample results eight days ago. CIPCC is required to send out the results within 10 days of receiving the results. They informed their 18 families before testing, but they did not inform Clark or McKelvie. They informed McKelvie that the results were 4 parts per billion for one tap, and 8 parts per billion for another. The two taps tested did not meet the current Vermont standard; although, the results are at the threshold level. The school took the two taps off-line immediately and shut them off at the valve. Clark said that due to the CIPCC results, he persuaded the Department of Health to agree to test Folsom out of schedule. The testing kits are being sent to Folsom this week, and the taps will be tested the first week of December. Clark's discussed the communication he will send to the Folsom community on Monday.

Chutter asked if there was anything the board needed to do in the interim while the water is being tested, including shutting off all drinking water. Clark said he has not received that indication from the Department of Health. Clark said he will call the department with that direct question.

Chutter expressed appreciation to Clark for quickly dealing with the issue.

Closure

- 11. Setting the next agenda
- Dec. 5: Budget discussion. Tuition-students report. Written report on CIPCC space needs.
- Dec. 21: Henderson asked for S. McKelvie's data reports to be scheduled for the Dec. 21 meeting, including the end-of-trimester report card data and Comprehensive Needs Assessment. Gess asked to move the food service data report to January.

Henderson announced that her term is ending in 2020, and she does not intend to run for re-election.

12. Adjourn

The board adjourned at 7:52 PM on a voice vote	. Chutter made the motion to adjourn.	Morse seconded
the motion		

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Adopted Budget	Reported Period	Encumbrances	Spent &	Amount	Last Year Period
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7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020			7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019
657,864.09	220,079.32	481,516.60	701,595.92	(43,731.83)	654,254.84
35,000.00	6,994.92	0.00	6,994.92	28,005.08	50,718.57
2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
19,297.76	18,724.89	43,562.02	62,286.91	(42,989.15)	19,931.02
142,026.69	46,988.36	109,314.95	156,303.31	(14,276.62)	130,028.89
46,475.00	24,722.78	0.00	24,722.78	21,752.22	33,904.91
54,633.38	17,778.51	41,069.34	58,847.85	(4,214.47)	53,066.91
1,466.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,466.62	1,217.16
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0,00	2,550.00
6,341.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,341.90	0.00
875.52	161.28	0.00	161.28	714.24	591.00
7,500.00	0.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	5,900.00	2,680.00
11,488.92	3,496.88	8,541.62	12,038.50	(549.58)	11,701.77
3,867.00	1,008.95	2,346.91	3,355.86	511.14	3,238.55
7,500.00	270.00	345.00	615.00	6,885.00	951.20
2,500.00	2,900.00	0.00	2,900.00	(400.00)	0.00
300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00
4,000.00	239.62	0.00	239.62	3,760.38	2,148.96
916,036.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	916,036.68	804,368.18
25,647.00	27,390.00	0.00	27,390.00	(1,743.00)	1,000.00
0.00	15,618.00	0.00	15,618.00	(15,618.00)	0.00
69,969.10	15,933.00	0.00	15,933.00	54,036.10	31,236.00
42,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42,500.00	39,922.00
34,814.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,814.00	39,524.28
200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1,104.20
13,750.00	6,097.17	2,095.04	8,192.21	5,557.79	11,476.15
500.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	400.00	206.28
1,000.00	765.44	0.00	765.44	234.56	833.96
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\$45,185.76	\$34,932.00	\$10,068.00	\$8,917.32	\$1,150.68	\$45,000.00	TOTAL 1123 Universal Access Pre-K
45,185.76	34,932.00	10,068.00	8,917.32	1,150.68	45,000.00	1123 Universal Access Pre-K 53. 001-1123-5563-000-00 Tuition - UAPK
\$1,919,362.78	\$1,024,682.64	\$1,114,791.02	\$694,534.03	\$420,256.99	\$2,139,473.66	TOTAL 1100 Instructional
9,212.45	13,649.59	2,350.41	2,350.41	0.00	16,000.00	52. 001-1100-5734-000-00 Instructional-computer Equipment
1,791.14	(342.92)	2,342.92	1,791.14	551.78	2,000.00	51. 001-1100-5733-000-00 Instructional-furniture & Fixtures
(99.00)	337.24	162.76	0.00	162.76	500.00	50. 001-1100-5730-117-00 Phys Ed Equipment
381.51	276.26	223.74	0.00	223.74	500.00	49. 001-1100-5730-109-00 Music Equipment
294.88	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	48. 001-1100-5681-000-00 Instructional-Technology
2,269.75	553.00	1,647.00	0.00	1,647.00	2,200.00	47. 001-1100-5670-000-00 Instructional-Software Sunscript/License
0.00	215.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	215.00	46. 001-1100-5660-105-00 Literacy - Manipulatives
0.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120.00	45. 001-1100-5660-000-00 Instructional-manipulative Devices
70.95	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	44. 001-1100-5650-109-00 Music - Multi-Media
0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	43. 001-1100-5650-105-00 Literacy - Multi-Media
0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	42. 001-1100-5650-000-00 Instructional-audio-visual Materials
162.15	139.60	110.40	0.00	110.40	250.00	41. 001-1100-5641-115-00 Social Studies - Magazines/Periodicals
194.26	9.00	191.00	0.00	191.00	200.00	40. 001-1100-5641-113-00 Science - Magazines/Periodicals
0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	39. 001-1100-5641-000-00 Magazines/Periodicals
446.26	529.28	470.72	0.00	470.72	1,000.00	38. 001-1100-5640-115-00 Social Studies Books
0.00	144.62	355.38	0.00	355.38	500.00	37. 001-1100-5640-113-00 Science Books
3,720.84	(4,364.64)	4,614.64	0.00	4,614.64	250.00	36. 001-1100-5640-111-00 Math Books
266.52	164.81	85.19	0.00	85.19	250.00	35. 001-1100-5640-109-00 Music Books
0.00	42.41	57.59	0.00	57.59	100.00	34. 001-1100-5640-107-00 Art Books
946.46	1,561.56	438.44	0.00	438.44	2,000.00	33. 001-1100-5640-105-00 Literacy Books
1,021.25	702.81	297.19	0.00	297.19	1,000.00	32. 001-1100-5640-000-00 Instructional-Books
1,556.06	64.76	1,435.24	1.00	1,434.24	1,500.00	31. 001-1100-5610-113-00 Science Supplies
377.49	402.20	347.80	0.00	347.80	750.00	30. 001-1100-5610-111-00 Math Supplies
94.98	95.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	95.00	29. 001-1100-5610-109-00 Music Supplies
7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019			7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
Last Year Period	Amount Remaining	Spent & Encumbered	Encumbrances	Reported Period	Adopted Budget	

\$0.00	\$1,392.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,392.88	TOTAL 1422 Summer School Program
0.00 0.00 0.00	1,201.00 91.88 100.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	1,201.00 91.88 100.00	1422 Summer School Program 73. 001-1422-5110-000-00 Summer School Program- Salary 74. 001-1422-5220-000-00 Summer School - FICA 75. 001-1422-5610-000-00 Summer School- Supplies
\$33,233.92	\$32,365.46	\$2,670.99	\$0.00	\$2,670.99	\$35,036.45	TOTAL 1410 Student Body Activities
2,753.27	3,401.00	99.00	0.00	99.00	3,500.00	72. 001-1410-5683-000-00 Instructional- Athletic Transportation
168.20	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	71. 001-1410-5610-000-00 Student Body Activities-general Supplies
5,269.84	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	70. 001-1410-5500-000-00 Student Activities- Late Bus
5,811.51	3,715.00	785.00	0.00	785.00	4,500.00	69. 001-1410-5337-000-00 Student activities - Programs
0.00	66.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	66.00	68. 001-1410-5250-000-00 Coaches & Refs Workers Comp
1,331.10	1,043.46	126.99	0.00	126,99	1,170.45	67. 001-1410-5220-000-00 Coaches & Refs FICA
14,000.00	9,340.00	1,660.00	0.00	1,660.00	11,000.00	66. 001-1410-5120-000-00 Coaches/Refs/AD Stipends/Salaries
3,900.00	4,300.00	0,00	0.00	0.00	4,300.00	1410 Student Body Activities 65. 001-1410-5110-000-00 Student Body Activities-Club Stipends
\$164,203.58	\$(56,793.58)	\$227,880.66	\$158,656.51	\$69,224.15	\$171,087.08	TOTAL 1200 Special Education
4,153.57	(1,120.56)	1,120.56	0.00	1,120.56	0.00	64. 001-1200-5580-000-00 Special Ed-travel
476.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63. 001-1200-5561-000-00 Special Ed-Excess Costs/Tuition
585.89	194.29	553.84	360.97	192.87	748.13	62. 001-1200-5281-000-00 Special Ed-group Vision Insurance
2,743.16	67.56	2,926.21	1,986.12	940.09	2,993.77	61. 001-1200-5280-000-00 Special Ed-group Dental Insurance
0.00	265.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	265.00	60. 001-1200-5270-000-00 Special Ed-course Reimbursement
200.00	206.88	63.84	0.00	63.84	270.72	59. 001-1200-5260-000-00 Special Ed-unemployment Comp.
0.00	891.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	891.00	58. 001-1200-5250-000-00 Special Ed - Workers Comp.
9,424.31	(4,815.17)	14,320.02	10,405.99	3,914.03	9,504.85	57. 001-1200-5220-000-00 Special Ed-fica
4,874.32	2,515.54	4,259.46	0.00	4,259.46	6,775.00	56. 001-1200-5210-100-00 SpEd - HRA
16,410.80	8,088.92	17,303.23	11,236.05	6,067.18	25,392.15	55. 001-1200-5210-000-00 Special Ed-group Health Insurance
125,335.20	(63,087.04)	187,333.50	134,667.38	52,666.12	124,246.46	54. 001-1200-5115-000-00 Special Ed-aides Salaries
						1200 Special Education
7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019			7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
Last Year Period	Amount Remaining	Spent & Encumbered	Encumbrances	Reported Period	Adopted Budget	

421.55 40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	 2150 Speech Services 97. 001-2150-5210-100-00 Speech - HRA 98. 001-2150-5260-000-00 Speech Services-unemployment Comp.
\$50,214.34	\$11,604.79	\$42,809.25	\$26,025.53	\$16,783.72	\$54,414.04	TOTAL 2134 Health Services
347.62	(240.04)	590.04	0.00	590.04	350.00	96. 001-2134-5610-000-00 Health Services-general Supplies
23.20	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	95. 001-2134-5580-000-00 Health Services-travel
7,889.00	3,994.00	3,994.00	0.00	3,994.00	7,988.00	94. 001-2134-5332-000-00 Health Services Assessment
319.46	242.78	79.87	0.00	79.87	322.65	93. 001-2134-5281-000-00 Health Services-group Vision Insurance
480.10	(518.93)	1,003.85	770.35	233.50	484.92	92. 001-2134-5280-000-00 Health Services-group Dental Insurance
40.00	47.52	10.08	0.00	10.08	57.60	91. 001-2134-5260-000-00 Health Services-unemployment Comp.
0.00	177.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	177.67	90. 001-2134-5250-000-00 Health Services-Workers Comp.
975.09	201.89	1,291.73	1,014.13	277.60	1,493.62	89. 001-2134-5220-000-00 Health Services-fica
5,939.58	4,364.77	385.23	0.00	385.23	4,750.00	88. 001-2134-5210-100-00 Heatlh Svcs - HRA
17,234.88	1,508.54	17,656.65	11,236.05	6,420.60	19,165.19	87. 001-2134-5210-000-00 Health Services-group Health Insurance
16,965.41	1,726.59	17,797.80	13,005.00	4,792.80	19,524.39	86. 001-2134-5110-000-00 Health Services-salaries(nurse & asst)
						2134 Health Services
\$74,076.94	\$16,756.33	\$64,993.58	\$33,516.76	\$31,476.82	\$81,749.91	TOTAL 2120 Guidance Services
0.00	1,185.00	315.00	315.00	0.00	1,500.00	85. 001-2120-5610-000-00 Guidance-general Supplies
1,250.10	1,262.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,262.63	84. 001-2120-5280-000-00 Guidance - Dental
0.00	750.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	800.00	83. 001-2120-5270-000-00 Guidance-Prof.Development/Course Reimb.
40.00	54.92	10.08	0.00	10.08	65.00	82. 001-2120-5260-000-00 Guidance-unemployment
0.00	48.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.49	81. 001-2120-5250-000-00 Guidance- Workers Comp
0.00	88.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	88.20	80. 001-2120-5230-000-00 Guidance - Life Insurance
5,135.58	736.73	4,592.02	2,359.44	2,232.58	5,328.75	79. 001-2120-5220-000-00 Guidance -FICA
23.26	0,00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	78. 001-2120-5210-100-00 HRA
0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	77. 001-2120-5210-000-00 Guidance - Health Ins.
67,628.00	9,630.36	60,026.48	30,842.32	29,184.16	69,656.84	2120 Guidance Services 76. 001-2120-5110-000-00 Guidance & SAP-salary
7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019			7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
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0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	122. 001-2310-5361-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-negotiations
3,810.50	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	121. 001-2310-5360-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-legal/prof svc
0.00	945.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	945.00	120. 001-2310-5300-000-00 Cafeteria Plan
0.00	168.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	168.30	119. 001-2310-5240-000-00 Board of Ed/Treasurer Fica
160.65	527.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	527.85	118. 001-2310-5220-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-fica
2,100.00	1,700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,700.00	117. 001-2310-5113-000-00 Board of Ed Svc - Secretary Salaries
0.00	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,200.00	116. 001-2310-5111-000-00 Board Of Ed/treasurer-salary
0.00	5,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,200.00	115. 001-2310-5110-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-salaries
						2310 Roard of Education
\$66,555.13	\$17,471.24	\$76,717.92	\$44,531.45	\$32,186.47	\$94,189.16	TOTAL 2222 Library
972.54	3,960.76	39.24	39.24	0.00	4,000.00	114. 001-2222-5739-000-00 Library - AV Equipment
2,456.62	7,893.25	9,106.75	0.00	9,106.75	17,000.00	113. 001-2222-5733-000-00 Library Services- Furniture & Fixtures
536.98	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	112. 001-2222-5650-000-00 Library Services-av Materials
411.99	400.17	99.83	0.00	99.83	500.00	111. 001-2222-5641-000-00 Magazines/Online Subscriptions
5,037.41	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	110. 001-2222-5640-000-00 Library Services-library Books
893.58	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	109. 001-2222-5610-000-00 Library Services-library Supplies
770.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	108. 001-2222-5290-000-00 Library Services-Prof. Development
0.00	(111.42)	111.42	86.66	24.76	0.00	107. 001-2222-5281-000-00 Library Services-group Vision Insurance
1,250.10	910.82	351.81	273.63	78.18	1,262.63	106. 001-2222-5280-000-00 Library Services-group Dental Insurance
0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	105. 001-2222-5270-000-00 Library-tuition
40.00	47.52	10.08	0.00	10.08	57.60	104. 001-2222-5260-000-00 Library Services-unemployment Comp.
0.00	470.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	470.83	103. 001-2222-5250-000-00 Library Services-Workers Comp.
88.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102. 001-2222-5230-000-00 Library - Group Life
3,839.71	(473.61)	4,431.72	2,899.38	1,532.34	3,958.11	101. 001-2222-5220-000-00 Library Services-fica
0.00	(1,635.79)	4,635.79	3,605.61	1,030.18	3,000.00	100. 001-2222-5210-000-00 Library Services-group Health Insurance
50,258.00	(6,191.29)	57,931.28	37,626.93	20,304.35	51,739.99	99. 001-2222-5110-000-00 Library Services-salary
						2222 Library
\$461.55	\$0.00	S0.00	\$0,00	\$0.00	S0.00	TOTAL 2150 Speech Services
7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019			7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
Last Year Period	Amount Remaining	Spent & Encumbered	Encumbrances	Reported Period	Adopted Budget	

	Adopted Budget	Reported Period	Encumbrances	Spent & Encumbered	Amount Remaining	Last Year Period	
Account Number / Description	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020			7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019	
123. 001-2310-5530-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-telephone/postage F	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	
124. 001-2310-5540-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-advertising	1,000.00	29.50	0.00	29.50	970.50	153.50	
125. 001-2310-5610-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-supplies	200.00	151.55	0.00	151.55	48.45	0.00	
126. 001-2310-5611-000-00 Board of Ed- Board of Ed Expense	0.00	16,650.00	0.00	16,650.00	(16,650.00)	0.00	
127. 001-2310-5810-000-00 Board Of Ed Services-vsba Dues	1,700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,700.00	1,788.98	
TOTAL 2310 Board of Education	\$17,791.15	\$16,831.05	\$0.00	\$16,831.05	\$960.10	\$8,013.63	
2320 Administrative Services - Supervisory U 128. 001-2320-5331-000-00 SU General Assessment	290,692.00	145.346.00	0.00	145 346 00	145 346 00	244 295 00	
TOTAL 2320 Administrative Services - Supervisory U	\$290,692.00	\$145,346.00	\$0.00	S145,346.00	S145,346.00	S244,295.00	
2410 Principal Services							
129. 001-2410-5110-000-00 Principal Service-salary	99,910.00	42,269.59	57,640.41	99,910.00	0.00	101,125.00	
130. 001-2410-5113-000-00 Principal Service-secretary Salary	35,411.40	17,270.78	18,477.22	35,748.00	(336.60)	35,831.58	
131. 001-2410-5117-000-00 Home School Coordinator	41,206.59	14,198.27	27,404.13	41,602.40	(395.81)	40,792.71	
132. 001-2410-5210-000-00 Principal Services-group Health Insuranc	6,918.85	2,086.11	4,867.58	6,953.69	(34.84)	5,703.49	
133. 001-2410-5210-100-00 Principal Svcs - HRA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,821.92	
134. 001-2410-5220-000-00 Principal Services-fica	13,504.39	5,618.17	7,942.29	13,560.46	(56.07)	13,543.44	
135. 001-2410-5230-000-00 Principal Service-group Life Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	340.20	
136. 001-2410-5240-000-00 Principal Svcs - Retirement	0.00	863.55	923.81	1,787.36	(1,787.36)	1,791.62	
137. 001-2410-5250-000-00 Principal Services-Workers Comp.	1,605.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,605.00	0.00	
138. 001-2410-5260-000-00 Principal Service-unemployment Comp.	200.00	33.60	0.00	33.60	166.40	80.00	
139. 001-2410-5270-000-00 Principal Svcs Course Reimb.	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	550.00	
140. 001-2410-5280-000-00 Principal Services-group Dental Insuranc	460.67	416.22	971.18	1,387.40	(926.73)	1,308.50	
141. 001-2410-5281-000-00 Principal Services-group Vision Insuranc	150.10	140.43	327.63	468.06	(317.96)	455.69	
142. 001-2410-5290-000-00 Principal Svcs Prof. Development	2,501.00	95.00	0.00	95.00	2,406.00	508.00	
143. 001-2410-5292-000-00 Principal Svc- Oth Emp. Benefits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23.46	
144. 001-2410-5430-000-00 Principal Svcs Copier Svcs.	5,545.00	1,690.94	0.00	1,690.94	3,854.06	3,748.71	
145. 001-2410-5530-000-00 Principal Services-telephone	8,500.00	2,471.46	0.00	2,471.46	6,028.54	5,283.46	
146. 001-2410-5532-000-00 Principal Svcs Postage	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	

South Hero Town School District Expenses All Funds Function and Object Codes

297.00	513.00	487.00	0.00	487.00	1,000.00	170. 001-2600-5436-000-00 Operation/Plant - Facility Svc Contr
3,263.80	7,897.92	102.08	0.00	102.08	8,000.00	169. 001-2600-5433-000-00 Oper/maint. Of Plant- Equip/Equip Maint
5,643.30	8,804.55	3,195.45	0.00	3,195.45	12,000.00	168. 001-2600-5432-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-building - Rep
2,504.68	2,357.12	642.88	0.00	642.88	3,000.00	167. 001-2600-5431-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-grounds - Repa
4,523.92	3,486.10	363.90	0.00	363.90	3,850.00	166. 001-2600-5421-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-garbage Collec
1,800.00	900.00	900.00	0.00	900.00	1,800.00	165. 001-2600-5411-000-00 Oper/Plant - Energy Services- Water
0.00	2,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,100.00	164. 001-2600-5400-000-00 Oper/Maint. of Plant- Rent
319.46	3.19	319.46	223.61	95.85	322.65	163. 001-2600-5281-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-group Vision I
1,796.00	426.60	1,387.40	971.18	416.22	1,814.00	162. 001-2600-5280-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-group Dental I
80.00	101.48	23.52	0.00	23.52	125.00	161. 001-2600-5260-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-unemployment C
0.00	790.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	790.00	160. 001-2600-5250-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-Workers Comp
4,505.82	(1,755.30)	4,610.27	2,652.71	1,957.56	2,854.97	159. 001-2600-5240-000-00 Oper/Maint of Plant- Retirement
176.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	158. 001-2600-5230-000-00 Operation/Plant - Group Life Ins
6,828.14	4.42	7,223.01	4,137.93	3,085.08	7,227.43	157. 001-2600-5220-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-fica
17,856.79	8,374.68	1,125.32	0.00	1,125.32	9,500.00	156. 001-2600-5210-100-00 Maintenance - HRA
25,220.06	6,040.25	26,118.72	18,283.08	7,835.64	32,158.97	155. 001-2600-5210-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-group Health I
1,998.75	(1,212.00)	2,212.00	0.00	2,212.00	1,000.00	154. 001-2600-5112-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-substitutes
90,116.12	1,270.09	92,206.08	53,055.24	39,150.84	93,476.17	153. 001-2600-5110-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-salaries
						2600 Operation/Maintenance of Plant
\$251,754.90	\$160,266.47	\$160,266.47	\$0.00	\$160,266.47	\$320,532.94	TOTAL 2420 Supportive Services - Special Ed Coordi
245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	152. 001-2420-5810-000-00 Dues/Fees/Registration
251,509.90	160,266.47	160,266.47	0.00	160,266.47	320,532.94	2420 Supportive Services - Special Ed Coordi 151. 001-2420-5332-000-00 Purchased Services from SU
\$216,044.67	\$11,209.81	\$208,553.19	\$118,554.25	\$89,998.94	\$219,763.00	TOTAL 2410 Principal Services
579.55	(295.90)	695.90	0.00	695.90	400.00	150. 001-2410-5810-000-00 Dues and Fees
0.00	(515.28)	1,015.28	0.00	1,015.28	500.00	149. 001-2410-5670-000-00 Principals Svcs - Computer Software
555.84	400.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	450.00	148. 001-2410-5610-000-00 Principal Services-office Supplies/petty
1,001.50	416.36	83.64	0.00	83.64	500.00	147. 001-2410-5580-000-00 Principal Services-travel
7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019			7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
Last Year Period	Amount Remaining	Spent & Encumbered	Encumbrances	Reported Period	Adopted Budget	

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	Adopted Budget	Reported Period	Encumbrances	Spent &	Amount	Last Year Period
	7/1/2010	7/1/2010	7/1/2010	Encumbered	Kemaming	2/1/2010
Account Number / Description	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020			7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019
171. 001-2600-5610-000-00 Oper/maint. Of Plant-Custodial Supplies	8,000.00	2,306.75	0.00	2,306.75	5,693.25	6,655.16
172. 001-2600-5622-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-Electricity	34,000.00	4,033.90	0.00	4,033.90	29,966.10	26,902.28
173. 001-2600-5624-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-Energy Service	19,750.00	2,016.95	0.00	2,016.95	17,733.05	23,744.79
174. 001-2600-5710-000-00 Operation/maint. Of Plant-improvements	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,500.00	3,096.00
175. 001-2600-5730-000-00 Operation/Maint of Plant- Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	190.99
TOTAL 2600 Operation/Maintenance of Plant	\$250,269.19	\$69,950.94	\$79,323.75	\$149,274.69	\$100,994.50	\$227,519.46
2700 Transportation Services	103 918 00	51 959 00	0 00	\$1 9 \$ 9 00	\$1 9\$9 <u>00</u>	97 120 00
177. 001-2700-5580-000-00 Student Transportation - Mileage Reimb	5,700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,700.00	0.00
TOTAL 2700 Transportation Services	\$109,618.00	\$51,959.00	\$0.00	\$51,959.00	\$57,659.00	\$97,120.00
3100 Food Service						
178.001-3100-5734-000-00 Fund Transfers-food Service Transfer	0.00 26,219.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,219.25	0.00
TOTAL 3100 Food Service	\$26,219.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26,219.25	\$595.00
5200 Long Term Debt						
180, 001-5200-5830-000-00 Interest on Long Term Debt	0.00	(79.79)	0.00	(79.79)	79.79	1,985.26
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TOTAL 5200 Long Term Debt	\$0.00	\$(79.79)	\$0.00	\$(79.79)	\$79.79	\$107,581.63
TOTAL 001 General Fund	\$3,857,228.71	\$1,108,022.43	\$1,164,059.60	\$2,272,082.03	\$1,585,146.68	\$3,506,218.29
201 Scholarships 5290 Other Transfers						
182. 201-5290-5930-000-00 Donald Robinson - Transfer to Other Acct	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
TOTAL 5290 Other Transfers	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
TOTAL 201 Scholarships	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
301 RiseVT Grant						

	£2 222 £02 44	£1 100 29 <i>1</i> £2	£1 133 307 00	£3 957 779 71	GRAND TOTAL
\$(58,179.23)	\$58,179.23	\$35,224.92	\$22,954.31	\$0.00	TOTAL 501 Food Program Fund
\$(58,179.23)	\$58,179.23	\$35,224.92	\$22,954.31	\$0.00	TOTAL 3100 Food Service
(7,013.81)	7,013.81	0.00	7,013.81	0.00	192. 501-3100-5610-000-00 Food Purchases
(148.60)	148.60	104.02	44.58	0.00	191, 501-3100-5281-000-00 Food Program Vision Insurance
(493.80)	493.80	345.66	148.14	0.00	190. 501-3100-5280-000-00 Food Program Dental Insurance
(23.52)	23.52	0.00	23.52	0.00	189. 501-3100-5260-000-00 Food Program Unemployment
(3,094.53)	3,094.53	2,168.56	925.97	0.00	188. 501-3100-5220-000-00 Food Program FICA/Med
(6,953.69)	6,953.69	4,867.58	2,086.11	0.00	187. 501-3100-5210-000-00 Food Program Health Insurance
(40,451.28)	40,451.28	27,739.10	12,712.18	0.00	186. 501-3100-5110-000-00 Food Program Salaries
					501 Food Program Fund 3100 Food Service
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	TOTAL 311 SRSA
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	TOTAL 1100 Instructional
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	185. 311-1100-5670-000-00 SRSA- Instruuctional- Computer Software
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	184. 311-1100-5290-000-00 SRSA- Professional Development
					311 SRSA
\$(2,331.18)	\$2,331.18	\$0.00	\$2,331.18	\$0.00	TOTAL 301 RiseVT Grant
S(2,331.18)	\$2,331.18	\$0.00	\$2,331.18	\$0.00	TOTAL 1100 Instructional
(2,331.18)	2,331.18	0.00	2,331.18	0.00	1100 Instructional 183. 301-1100-5730-000-00 RiseVT Equipment
		7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020	Account Number / Description
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Superintendent's Report

November/December 2019

North Hero Tragedy:

In the early morning hours of October 19th there was a house fire in North Hero in which Theo and Thane Maltais, the sons of Mason and Desiree Maltais, lost their lives. Mason is the Board Chair for the Grand Isle Supervisory Union School Board and is the Vice Chair of the CIUUSD School Board. Desiree is active in the North Hero School Community and Theo was a student at the school. The loss of the two boys is a terrible tragedy and had profound impact on the community. As an administration we worked to support the school community and the family.

First, we partnered with Northwest Counseling to have a forum for parents, faculty and staff to learn about the best way to talk with children in an age appropriate way about death, loss, and grief. This presentation was held on Sunday afternoon October 20, 2019. More than 50 people were in attendance.

During the first day of school, on Monday, October 21, 2019, we had a drop-in room for parents before school to receive help on an individual basis if needed. Grief counselors, as well as CIUUSD counseling staff, were available at the school all day. We started the day with all students in the gymnasium, where we shared the news of the death of the two students as well as sharing what supports would be available. Students who struggled with the loss were encouraged to talk with a grief counselor in a one-to-one manner; and when classrooms had a majority of students struggling, a grief counselor was dispatched to the room (this happened in two classrooms). The one-to-one counseling was used with high frequency in the morning and tapered off throughout the day.

Grief counselors and CIUUSD counseling staff continued to be in the school for the remainder of the week with decreasing numbers as need allowed.

On Monday, October 28th, the North Hero School held its First Annual Pumpkin carving and lighting event in memory of Theo and Thane. The event was well attended with many people from the community attending. Mason and Desiree were also in attendance. Many local business donated food, beverages, and pumpkins and Green Mountain Therapy dogs volunteered their services at this event with three therapy dogs in attendance.

Thursday, October 31st, the memorial service for Theo and Thane were held. The CIUUSD shifted faculty members from Isle La Motte and Grand Isle campuses to provide experienced teacher coverage in the afternoon; this allowed for North Hero Faculty and Staff to attend the memorial service if they wished to do so. The schedule of the day was adjusted so that the afternoon focused more on fun activities.

I based myself out of the North Hero School for most of the first week and then started backing my time off as time progressed.

Some small tweaks to our crisis plans were made based on what we learned, for instance I now maintain a Google Doc that has all of the contact information for the people on the crisis team of each school which any administrator in the Supervisory Union can access electronically from anywhere.

This tragedy has been particularly hard for first responders and our educators. We have encouraged our faculty and staff to reach out to administration or our employee assistance program at any time if they need support.

I am particularly proud of how the community supported the school, family, and each other though this challenging time. All residents of the Islands should be proud of our close-knit community.

AOE Update:

You received a memo from me that Secretary French has reversed his decision regarding the new AOE requirement that some of the cost for special education out of district placements be counted as general education costs. Had this reversal not been made, it would have resulted in \$382,000- or more- in education costs being shifted directly to the local budgets and not receive special education reimbursement. With the decision, the \$382,000 will be in the Grand Isle Supervisory Union budget and will receive the state special education reimbursement. It is important to understand that the first budget which was presented to the GISU board in October did not include this \$382,000.

We have completed the second cycle of monthly grant reports which the AOE is requiring we send within 10 business days of the end of each month. There has been a lot of requests from the VT AOE for supplemental information. This has been time consuming for the business office. On the plus side, by submitting the required information now instead of in a larger report later, there should not be disallowed costs in the future.

E-911 Compliance Update

Dave Brisson has looked into options for our schools to become E-911 compliant. The most cost effective option is to go with a voice over internet service.

Dave and I submitted, and have been approved for, a waiver of the E-911 compliance requirements until August 2020.

Dave has also prepared and submitted the application for the matching grant available to each school. We will update you when we are notified of the outcome.

Budget Updates

We are on track with the budget process we proposed this fall. All boards have seen a first draft of their FY 21 expenditure budgets. November is the month the GISU board will try to finalize its budget so that the local boards know what the GISU Assessment is.

December-

State numbers should be available at least in draft form. Tax letters, which sets the yield, should be available December 1. Equalized pupil counts should be available on December 15.

This is the second look at the budget for local boards. We will finalize if possible

January-

All budgets are finalized

February-Budget Education in all communities

March-Budget Votes

Snelling Education Leadership Program

I attended the next three days of the Snelling Education Leadership Program on October 16, 17, and 18. Thank you to the GISU Board for this opportunity. The focus of the three days was "Ensuring Equity and Addressing Implicit Bias". The work was interesting and thought provoking.

2019 UVM Outstanding Teachers Reminder

Please remember our two UVM Outstanding Teachers of the Year, Jenny Degree and Tracy Giroux, will be recognized at UVM during the Outstanding Teacher Day celebration held on Thursday, December 5, 2019.

Tuition Reports

I've shared updates about where we stand with our tuition students and residency verification for the 2019-2020 School Year. We are doing much better than last year and at this point have over 80% verification at every school. I will bring the most up to date report for each district to the GISU November Meeting.

Lead Testing

Last year the Vermont Legislature passed Act 66 which reduced the limit of allowable lead in drinking water in schools and childcare centers to less than 4 ppb and required all schools to test all taps which were used for drinking or cooking to be tested by December 2020. The VT Department of Health, working with the VT Agency of Education, has developed a protocol for schools and childcare centers to follow. They also provide resources for the testing and the Department of Health schedules the tests. The first step in the process for schools was to develop and submit a tap inventory which needed to be sent to the Department of Health in the summer of 2019. The GISU completed and submitted this inventory on time. The Department of Health has to take its capacity to test the water into account when building the schedule. The GISU schools had not be scheduled for the testing as of November 18, 2019.

The Folsom School allows the Champlain Island Parent Child Center to use a classroom space. The protocol established by the Department of Health is that Schools will test all of the taps in their building. This includes taps shared with Child Centers. Despite this protocol, the Parent Child Center tested two taps at the Folsom School without letting anyone from the school know they were doing so. The Parent Child Center only preformed a First Draw Test (the protocol called for a First Draw and Flush test for all taps at schools). The tests the Parent Child Center preformed indicated there was lead in the water with one tap having 4 ppb and the other 8 ppb. As soon as the school was notified these two taps were taken offline.

I have worked with Vermont Department of Health which has, as a precaution, expedited the testing schedule for Folsom School. They are sending test kits so all taps can be tested.

I have also worked with the Parent Child Center on the notification they are required to send to the people they notified they would be conducting the testing. The following is my addition to their letter:

"Based on the schedule developed by the Vermont Department of Health, the Champlain Islands Parent Child Center and Folsom School were assigned different testing schedules, with the South Hero School District assigned to a later test schedule. The Champlain Islands Parent Child Center notified Principal McKelvie of the elevated result; Principal McKelvie in turn shared the results with me. The Supervisory Union is responsible for coordinating the required testing for the Supervisory Union and its member districts. First, we took any tap which tested at or above the 4 ppb out of service immediately. I was then able to work with the Vermont Department of Health, and as a precaution, the Department of Health moved the Folsom school up in the testing cycle. The plan is for the Folsom School to do the testing in collaboration with the Vermont Department of Health the week of December 2-6, 2019. Results should be available between 2-6 weeks later based on the testing capacity at the Department of Health. The Vermont Department of Health shared the following with me "Also, none of the information that I have seen would indicate that extreme haste is warranted, or that parents should be particularly concerned. 8 ppb in a first draw is a relatively low exceedance. For some reason, no flush sample was collected. But, for the vast majority of fixtures, the flush samples have lower lead concentrations than the first draw. It is not surprising that one or more of your taps would meet or exceed the action level of 4 ppb. 50 of the 57 schools tested to date have had at least one elevated result, and about 1 out of every 7 taps that have been tested as part of this project (more that 4,000 so far) has had a lead level at or above the action level." As a part of the testing protocol, the Folsom school will be mailing the required notice that we will be testing the water at all required taps (including the taps used by the Champlain Island Parent Child Center) and will provide more information about lead which was created by the Vermont Department of Health to all families who attend the Folsom School. Once the results are back from the lab the Folsom School will follow up with those results to all Folsom Families. I appreciate the opportunity to work collaboratively with the Champlain Islands Parent Child Center, Principal McKelvie, as well as the Vermont Department of Health to ensure the drinking and cooking water at the Folsom School is safe for all of our children.

Please reach out to Principal McKelvie (smckelvie@gisu.org, 372-6600) or me (mclark@gisu.org, 372-6921 ext 2001) at any time if you have questions or concerns.

Warmly, Michael J. Clark Grand Isle Supervisory Union Superintendent"

I will update you regarding the lead testing across the SU as more information becomes available.

VSBIT

As you know, I am the Superintendent Representative elected to be on the VSBIT Board of Directors. I was elected to the Vice Chair position at the reorganization meeting on November 19, 2019.