

ASAP Board Minutes
February 3, 2011
Stanley Hall, Waterbury
3:30-5:00 pm.

Those in Attendance: President: Dawn Poitras, Secretary: Kathy Roszman, Treasurer: Lynn Butler-Dube, Sandra Brauer & Debby Haskins. **Regrets** from: Kyle Bouchard (strep throat), Pierre LaPerle (strep throat), Sue Roberts (hospital visit), Mark Floyd (at a Conference in Boston) and Ellen Gluckman (home sick). The meeting was called to order by Dawn at 3:33 pm.

The entire focus of the meeting was how to be proactive; what we can do immediately to educate our legislators about the importance of our work. We discussed the VT Interactive open forums; Valentines Day, Feb. 14th from 4-6 pm at each VIT site/ www.vitlink.org. You must register a few minutes before 4:00 to speak, 2 minute minimum. Please be sure to have someone at each site: parent/community member, school personnel, anyone that you know would speak out against SAP elimination.

Debby gave each Board member a Legislative Guide (Times Argus insert), handouts that were also sent electronically, stamps, thank you cards and all the tools necessary to educate others. (Those not in attendance were mailed packets.)

We brainstormed other groups that we might notify. (Debby will follow up; as well as several Board members identified key people they would connect with. SRO/Mental Health Clinics/Agencies/ Previous presenters at our conference/Businesses/Pareducators/Bus Drivers/Sheriffs/John Halligan/Sgt Jim Baker/Ginny Fry, Bess O'Brien/National Guard/Outright VT/Boys & Girls' Club/John D'espisto, Community Coalitions; head of the Athletic Association-Amy Molina; Vermont Impact Panel & Battered, WDEV, WCAX, and the Free Press. (we have articles in the Times Argus & Caledonia Record) & Women's Shelter. (If you know of an organization not on the list please call them).

Also Senator Patrick Leahy, Senator Bernie Sanders & Congressman Peter Welch.

Next Board meeting: The Board agreed we should meet next month due to the Governor's budget. March 3, Stanley Hall, Room 100, Waterbury, 3:30-5:00 pm.