**Minutes  
SeVEDS Board Annual meeting   
2-4 Thursday July 18 \* Brattleboro Municipal Center \* Hannah Cosman**

In attendance: Stephan Morse, Martin Langeveld, Jeff Lewis, Ariel Brooks, Drew Richards, Robert Stevens, Ann Andresatos, Jenna Pugliese, Susan McMahon, Lisa Sullivan, Barb Sondag, Patrick Moreland, Adam Grinold, Pat Moulton Powden, Laura Sibilia

Absent: Dutch Walsh, Konstantin Von K, Jill James, Colby Dix

Jenna called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm

The Board heard recommendations from the exec comm on a slate of officers for FY 14.

Stephan nominated Jenna Pugliese as Chair, Drew Richards as Treasurer, Adam Grinold as Secretary for FY 14; 2nd by Bob VOTE: Unanimous

Stephan motioned for exec comm to bring a vice chair recommendation to the August meeting, 2nd by Bob VOTE: Unanimous

Bob made a motion to approve reelection and election of the following board members

* + - Reelect to 3 years terms:
      * Patrick Moreland, Town of Brattleboro
      * Bill Colvin, Bennington Region Planning Commission
      * Colby Dix, Vermont Geeks
    - Elect to 3 year term
      * Ann Andresatos, New Chapter
    - Elect to 1 year terms:
      * Ariel Brooks, Marlboro College
      * Francis “Dutch” Walsh, Town of Rockingham
      * Konstantin VonKrusenstiern, Brattleboro Retreat

Lisa 2nd the motion VOTE: unanimous

Stephan moved that the chair send a letter of thanks to departing board members, 2nd by Bob VOTE: unanimous

Stephan moved to accept the minutes of June 13, 2013, 2nd by Bob VOTE: unanimous

Bob made a motion to accept the FY 13 YE Financials, 2nd by Bill VOTE: unanimous

Discussion of the FY 14 work plan. Board wants to add Cheshire and Franklin County to YP activities. Bob questioned how much of the real estate challenge is lack of redevelopment as opposed to lack of demand. Stephan made a motion to accept the FY 14 work plan with the change 2nd by Martin VOTE: unanimous

Discussion of the FY 13 budget – Barb – it would be helpful if the work plan and budget lined up – more like “departments”. Ann noted that we needed to be vigilant about prioritization and the chicken and egg question, better tie in to work plan will help – have the resource tied to the budget. Stephan called the question VOTE: unanimous

Stephan moved to accept the FY 2014 budget as proposed, 2nd by Bob VOTE unanimous

Stephan moved that the SeVEDS board salute and express appreciation for all of Barb Sondags efforts as a founding member of SeVEDS. Her many efforts contributed to the success and well-being of the organization and improvement of Windham County. Jeff 2nd the motion VOTE: unanimous.

* + Elect new board members
  + Approve FY 14 Executive Committee
    - FY 14 officers – Jenna, Drew, Adam
    - BDCC Executive Director - Jeff
    - Chair of Post VY subcommittee - Stephan
    - Chair of CEDS Content Committee - Patrick
* Approve minutes from June 13, 2013
* Approve FY 13 YE financials
* Update from VE on CEDS projects
* Approve FY 14 work plan
* Approve FY 14 budget
* SeVEDS Public Meeting and CEDS meeting here is what we have accomplished - CElebration