### TWINFIELD UNION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

# Thursday – August 30, 2012

### **Board Retreat**

## Michael's Nobles House

**Present:** Michael Nobles, Patrick Healy, Dan Gadd, Monica Light, Anne Nadel Walbridge, and Jill Wilson **Administration:** Nancy Thomas, Superintendent; Rob Billings, Business Manager; Pat Johnson Knoerl, Curriculum Coordinator; Christina Kimball, Business Operations Manager, Mark Mooney, Principal; Bob Gulardo, Assistant Principal

<u>Call to order</u>: Michael Nobles, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

### **Board Discussion**

- a. Board Operations: Michael and Patrick led the Board through discussions of Board operations using the Vermont School Board Association new guidelines: the Essential Work of Vermont School Boards.
- b. Board Goals and Long Term Planning: the Board brainstormed goals for this year and the future which will be brought back for discussion at a future meeting to clarify and identify indicators of progress. Possible goals include:
  - a. Increase academic performance
  - b. Increase communication with parents and the community through Regular Board article in FieldNotes, continued improvements of the web-site, creating a more welcoming atmosphere at the board meetings,
  - c. Creation of 3-5 year Facility Plan
  - d. Creation of 3 year Board Plan
  - e. Develop schedule of tasks such as budget development, policy review, school vision/mission development and self-evaluation of the board

## Adjournment

The Board adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Thomas