

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Emerson School
50 Mechanic Street, Bolton, Ma
School Committee Conference Room
Second Floor

March 29, 2017

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE : Lorraine Romasco, Mark Jones, Lynn Colletti, Kathy Codianne (arrived at 5:10 pm), Nicole Odekirk, and Jennifer Leone

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE: Brooke Clenchy, Superintendent of Schools, Pat Marone, Interim Business and Operations Manager, Ann Marie Stoica, Director of Human Resources

ABSENT: Susan Reardon and Neal Darcy

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Romasco called the regular meeting to order at 5:00PM

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Patrick Mahoney, Bolton – Requested an agenda item be added to the next School Committee meeting for parents to have dialog with the School Committee regarding the Preschool tuition increase.

Laura Roberts, Bolton –Questioned when the Finance Subcommittee meeting minutes and meeting materials will be posted.

NEW BUSINESS

NRHS Robotics Overnight Travel Approval Request

Superintendent Clenchy advised the Robotics Team will be traveling to Lewiston, ME for competition on March 30 – April 1, if they qualify they will then travel to the next competition in Durham, NH on April 5 – April 8.

MOTION

Jennifer Leone moved to approval the NRHS Robotics team's overnight travel request to Lewiston, ME on March 30-April 1, 2017 and Durham, NH on April 5-April 8, 2017 for competitions; seconded by Mark Jones **IN FAVOR**: Mark Jones, Jennifer Leone, Lynn Colletti, Lorraine Romasco, Nicole Odekirk and Kathy Codianne **VOTED AND PASSED. (6-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

Policy AADA-1 (CHRI)

Ms. Stoica advised the only change to the policy was to the first line "shall be obtained" was missing from the sentence, Ms. Stoica advised the question with this policy is clarifying what is required and what is discretionary. Ms. Stoica stated, at the direction of the Policy Subcommittee, she has written wording for the school websites so all websites and schools are consistent with when fingerprinting is required which will be in the protocol for this policy.

MOTION

Nicole Odekirk moved to adopt policy revision of policy AADA-1; seconded by Jennifer Leone **IN FAVOR**: Mark Jones, Jennifer Leone, Lynn Colletti, Lorraine Romasco, Nicole Odekirk and Kathy Codianne **VOTED AND PASSED. (6-0-0)**

2017-2018 SY Calendar

Superintendent Clenchy advised she met with Dr. Graham and Ann Marie Stoica and advised the calendar has been revised from twelve late starts at the High School to nine. School Committee requested the vision and goals for the late starts and report on the results that will have been achieved at the end of the year. Chairman Romasco stated she would like the high school teachers to come to a School Committee Meeting and share their late starts plans and results. Goals, process and measurable outcomes are important since Admin is already working on district improvement plan.

MOTION

Jennifer Leone moved to adopt the 2017-2018 school year calendar as presented in the meeting packet of 3/29/17; seconded by Kathy Codianne **IN FAVOR:** Mark Jones, Jennifer Leone, Lynn Colletti, Lorraine Romasco, Nicole Odekirk and Kathy Codianne **VOTED AND PASSED. (6-0-0)**

Audit Advisory Council

Mr. Jones advised the Audit Advisory Council has been working on the audit bid. Heather Hughes, Chair of Audit Advisory Council provided an overview of the bid process, and advised the process yielded two firms MelansonHeath and Powers and Sullivan. Ms. Hughes advised on the pros and cons of each firm and services provided by each firm. Ms. Hughes advised the Audit Advisory Council voted unanimously to recommend Heath and Melanson for district auditing services. Chair requested Audit Advisory and Finance Subcommittee to make a recommendation for SC vote on April 12th. Ms. Hughes shared that the Council is available to return to the next School Committee meeting to make their final recommendation and ask for a vote.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Subcommittee

Ms. Leone reported the subcommittee is working on meeting minutes, and goal status was reviewed, also the budget book draft, budget brochure, budget calendar were reviewed. Chair requested Finance Subcommittee to post all of their minutes by April 12.

Personnel Subcommittee

No Report

Policy Subcommittee

No Report

SEPAC

No Report

Tech Committee

No Report

Emergency Response Committee

No Report

Audit Advisory

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Romasco shared that a group of citizens met with School Committee members last week. While the meeting was open to interested people of all three town residents as stated on a social media

outlet, only Stow residents attended. Based on feedback from members who attended, the focus of the conversation was the recent increase in PreK tuition. Chairman Romasco advised she has received input from parents and residents, both pro and con, regarding the tuition increases for FY18. Ms. Colletti advised she attended the meeting and shared discussion points from the meeting about PreK, Kindergarten and plans for the High School. Ms. Odekirk stated she thought it was a productive meeting and felt everyone left the meeting with a better understand of tuition increases.

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

Warrants of March 31, 2017

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3638	03/31/17	VENDOR	\$ 553,692.25
3639	03/31/17	BENEFIT	\$ 754,838.57
3640	03/31/17	PAYROLL	\$1,653,498.50

Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2017

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT AGENDA

- Audit Advisory
- MASC Superintendent Evaluation Workshop
- Bus Contract

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Committee went into Executive session at 6:02 pm pursuant to M.G.L. c. §30A, 21(a)3 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining for Units A and C if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares.

The Committee will not reconvene to open session; meeting will adjourn in Executive Session.

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Roll Call Vote:

- Ms. Romasco Yes
- Ms. Odekirk Yes
- Mr. Jones Yes
- Ms. Leone Yes
- Ms. Colletti Yes
- Ms. Codianne Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)

Meeting Materials provided tonight can be located at www.nrsd.net

Reference Documents and Presentations

Agenda
Robotics Team Overnight Travel Approval Request
Robotics Team Overnight Travel Approval Request (if they qualify)
Policy AADA-1
Revised 2017-2018 School Year Calendar Proposal
Draft Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2017
Draft Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2017 with Edits

Approved by NRSC 4/12/17