

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

January 3, 2018

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE : Lorraine Romasco, Mark Jones, Lynn Colletti, Kathy Codianne, Alise Crossland, Susan Reardon, and Stephen Rubinstein

ABSENT: Neal Darcy

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Romasco called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Chairman Romasco advised of MGL and NRSD policies regarding citizen's comments during School Committee meetings.

Joelle Spear, Stow resident, voiced her opinion regarding all day tuition free kindergarten for NRSD students.

Ann Ogilvie, Lancaster, voiced her opinion regarding the realignment of the Preschool program.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES

Chairman Romasco reminded the committee the budget workshop is January 20, 2018 at 8:15 am. Chairman Romasco read a press release from the Bolton Police Department regarding the incident that occurred at the December 6th School Committee Meeting. Chairman Romasco informed the public, when searching for factual information; please refer to the NRSD website. She also shared there has been miscommunication about district programs and actions taken and that, moving forward, the Chair's Update portion of the School Committee meetings will be used for correcting miscommunication and sharing facts.

STUDENT REPORT

Isabel Stringfellow, NRHS Student Representative to the School Committee provided an update on academics, sports and events at Nashoba Regional High School and district Schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Clenchy provided district updates; the report can be viewed in its entirety at http://www.nrsd.net/district/superintendent_s_reports

INTERIM BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

Ms. Marone reviewed the November Results of Operations Report and advised in a upcoming meeting she will put forth salary transfer requests. Ms. Marone advised she will be receiving the Worcester County Retirement numbers week although she is still awaiting state budget figures.

Facilities Update

Mr. Frieswick provided an update in the Facilities Department advising the buildings were monitoring during the extreme cold temperatures without incidents. Mr. Frieswick also provided an update on the boiler project at the Florence Sawyer School, carpet project at the Center School, the VFD project and the deep cleaning at NRHS.

NEW BUSINESS

Endowment Fund Donation Acceptance

Ms. Marone advised she has received a letter from the NRHS Endowment Fund Board approving a \$1989.90 donation to NRHS. Letter outlines donation uses.

MOTION

Mark Jones moved to accept the donation in the amount of \$1989.90 from the NRHS Endowment Fund for uses as outline in the letter; seconded by Stephen Rubinstein **IN FAVOR:** Lorraine Romasco, Mark Jones, Lynn Colletti, Kathy Codianne, Alise Crossland, Susan Reardon, and Stephen Rubinstein **VOTED AND PASSED. (7-0-0)**

Luther Burbank Middle School Washington DC Trip Donation Acceptance

Ms. Marone advised the Luther Burbank Middle School has received a donation from an anonymous parent in the amount of \$4500.00 to help defray the cost of Washington DC Trip for five students and their families who have requested financial assistance for the trip.

MOTION

Mark Jones moved to accept in the donation to the Luther Burbank Middle School in the amount of \$4500.00 to help defray the cost of Washington DC Trip for five students and their families who have requested financial assistance for the trip; seconded by Stephen Rubinstein **IN FAVOR:** Lorraine Romasco, Mark Jones, Lynn Colletti, Kathy Codianne, Alise Crossland, Susan Reardon, and Stephen Rubinstein **VOTED AND PASSED. (7-0-0)**

Kindergarten Program Update

Joel Bates, Ross Mulkerin, Sean O'Shea, and Cyndie Maxfield presented a powerpoint presentation on the Kindergarten Program reviewing historical enrollment data, data for current K application responses, proposed recommendations and proposed timelines. A recommendation by the presenters was made to make no changes to tuition for the 2018-2019 SY.

OLD BUSINESS

Athletic Fees Review

Tania Rich, Director of Athletics, provided a review of athletic user fees by sport, area comparisons and user fee recommendations. Ms. Marone provided a ten year analysis of athletic costs.

Integrated Pre-K Program Update

Superintendent Clenchy reviewed the Integrated PreK Information Session that was held on December 20, 2017. Superintendent Clenchy advised that the MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has a unit of outstanding researchers whose primary role is to support the entire Department with extensive, first rate research on a continuous, ongoing basis. The unit is directed by the Commissioner of Education regarding topics and priorities. That research then informs various units within the DESE, the Commissioner, and the Board of Education in decision making processes.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Warrant Subcommittee

No Report

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

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

Warrants of January 6, 2018

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3804	01/05/18	VENDOR FY18	\$ 275,145.61
3805	01/05/18	BENEFIT FY18	\$ 803,406.90
3806	01/05/18	PAYROLL FY 18	\$1,295,197.71

Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2017

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT AGENDA

Superintendent’s Progress on Goal

NRHS Leach Field Discussion

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee went into Executive Session at 7:49 pm to discuss receipt of and response to Open Meeting Law Complaint – under purpose 1 (receipt of complaint against a public body).” Meeting will adjourn in Executive Session.

MOTION

Kathy Codianne moved to go into Executive Session at 7:49 pm to discuss receipt of and response to Open Meeting Law Complaint – under purpose 1 (receipt of complaint against a public body) to include Michael Maccaro, District Legal Counsel and Superintendent Clenchy. Meeting will adjourn in Executive Session; seconded by Mark Jones.

Roll Call Vote:

- Ms. Romasco Yes
- Ms. Crossland Yes
- Mr. Jones Yes
- Ms. Codianne Yes
- Ms. Reardon Yes
- Ms. Colletti Yes
- Mr. Darcy Yes
- Mr. Rubinstein Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)

Reference Documents and Presentations

Agenda
17-18 SC Planning Calendar 1-3-18
Superintendent's Report 1-3-18
FY18 November Expenditure Report
Kindergarten Presentation
FY19 Pre School and Full Day Kind. Tuition Rates
NRHS Endowment Grant Donation Acceptance Letter
Luther Burbank Washington DC Trip Donation Letter
Nashoba Cost Per Student by Activity FY17
User Fee Comparison
Ten year analysis of Athletic Costs
NRSD User Fee Proposal 2017
Draft Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2017

Approved by NRSC 1-17-18