

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 25, 2014

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Julie Fay, Cathy Their (left meeting at 7:09 pm), Lynn Colletti, and Lorraine Romasco

ABSENT: Kara Keith, Jeff Odell

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Wood, Superintendent of Schools, George King, Assistant Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Federspiel called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

February 28, 2013 Warrants

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3388	02/28/14	VENDOR	\$ 398,714.34
3389	02/28/14	BENEFIT	\$ 609,988.65
3390	02/28/14	PAYROLL	\$1,147,288.25

Minutes of the February 11, 2014 meeting will be revised to clarify the vote on the all day kindergarten model and voted at next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bolton resident regarding the full day / half day kindergarten model.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Wood reviewed his Superintendent's report; *(The Superintendent's Report is available in full on the NRSD website at <http://www.nrsd.net>)*

Topics included:

- Nashoba Now
- Last day of school
- SY15 Calendar
- School Choice
- Legislative Joint Resolution
- FY15 Budget Adjustments
- MSBA Statement of Interest
- District Athletic Updates

School Choice SY14-15

The committee discussed and the current policy will stay in place for the 2014-2015 school year and will be reviewed for the 2015-2016 school year.

OLD BUSINESS

FY15 Budget Discussion

Mr. Wood was requested at the last meeting to review his proposed budget and present a proposal of tiered cuts. Mr. Wood presented a proposal with three tiers of cuts and reviewed the staff and site based reductions on each tier. Mr. Wood advised if all three tiers of reductions are adopted the reduction to the budget would be approximately 1% of the total proposed budget. Mr. Wood advised if further cuts are required those cuts would be staffing and busing. Ms. Federspiel advised the budget has to be voted on at the next meeting on March 11th so therefore if anyone on the committee has questions, please bring them forth before the next meeting and be prepared to vote a budget at the March 11th meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Advisory Report

No Report

Finance SubCommittee

Ms. Busch reported warrants were approved.

Personnel SubCommittee

No Report

Policy SubCommittee

No Report

ESBC

No Report

NRHS Space Study Task Force

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Grant for Capital Repairs (MSBA – SOI)

Mr. Wood advised the MSBA has come out with a small grant for repairs to school buildings. Mr. Wood advised a Statement of Interest, which is the application for the grant, will need to be submitted, the MBSA will review it and vote as a board to invite schools to participate in the grant project. Mr. Wood stated this is not a bonded project and is part of the FY15 budget. Mr. Wood state he is looking for approval for two SOI submission, one for roof repairs at the high school and the other for accelerator boiler repairs at the Florence Sawyer School, Emerson Building.

MOTION

Maureen Busch Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 25, 2014, prior to the closing date, the Nashoba Regional School Committee of Bolton, MA in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated February 24, 2014 for the Nashoba Regional High School located at 12 Green Road, Bolton, MA 01740 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for roof repairs and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority; seconded by Nancy Federspiel **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Lorraine Romasco, Lynn Colletti, and Julie Fay **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

MOTION

Maureen Busch made a motion to Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on February 25, 2014 , prior to the closing date, the Nashoba Regional School Committee of Bolton, MA in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated February 24, 2014 for the Florence Sawyer School, Emerson Building located at 50 Mechanic Street, Bolton, MA which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for accelerated boiler repairs and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority; seconded by Nancy Federspiel **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Lorraine Romasco, Lynn Colletti, and Julie Fay **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

Donation to NRHS Swim Team

Ms. Federspiel advised Nashoba Athletics has received a \$1200 donation from Continuum Communications for the purchase of a record board for the Nashoba Varsity Swim and Dive Team

MOTION

Julie Fay made a motion to accept the \$1200 donation from Continuum Communications for the purchase of a record board for the Nashoba Varsity Swim and Dive Team seconded by Lorraine Romasco **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Lorraine Romasco, Lynn Colletti, and Julie Fay **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

Joint Resolution on House/Senate Chapter 70

Mr. Wood advised a group of organizations including the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Massachusetts Association of Superintendents and Massachusetts Association of Regional School District are encouraging the House and Senate to pursue a joint resolution around Chapter 70 by March 15th. Mr. Wood stated he is asking for a motion to authorize the Superintendent and Chair to send a letter to the State Legislators to asking them to pursue a joint resolution around Chapter 70 by March 15th.

MOTION

Nancy Federspiel made a motion to authorize the Superintendent and Chair to send state Legislators a letter requesting that the Senate and House vote a joint resolution for Chapter 70 by March 15th; seconded by Lorraine Romasco **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Lorraine Romasco, Lynn Colletti, and Julie Fay **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

NONE

MOTION

Maureen Busch made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 pm; seconded by Lorraine Romasco **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Lorraine Romasco, Lynn Colletti, and Julie Fay **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

Minutes approved at the March 11, 2014 School Committee Meeting