

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

September 10, 2013

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Jeff Odell, Julie Fay, Kara Keith, and Lynn Colletti

**ABSENT:** Reta Rupich

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Federspiel called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Topics on consent agenda included:

**September 13, 2013 Warrants**

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3350	9/13/13	VENDOR	\$ 337,423.00
3351	9/13/13	BENEFIT	\$ 6,260.78
3352	9/13/13	PAYROLL	\$1,188,148.65

Approval of Summer Warrant

Minutes of the June 18, 2013 meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Communication Correspondence – Lancaster Resident  
Town of Stow – Audit Member Correspondence  
NEASC Memo

**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:

- First day of school update
- Enrollment update
- NRHS Concession Building update
- Human Resources update
- Curriculum, instruction and assessment
- Comprehensive reporting for middle schools
- Interactive technology
- Google Mail
- Substitute Orientation
- NRHS Career Day

## **Spring Sports Report**

Tania Rich, Director of Athletics, provided a report on the NRSD Spring sports;

### **Spring Sports Report 2013**

#### **Spring Highlights**

- **All spring varsity teams qualified for the post-season (8 out of 8 teams)**
- 33 Total Mid-Wach League all-stars
- 11 T&G All-Stars

#### **Baseball**

- Overall record 21-4
- Midland B League Champions – Undefeated 10-0
- Division 1 Central Mass District Champions (first time in school history!)
- Division 1 State Finalists
- Mid-Wach League MVP – Jordan Edmonds
- Mid-Wach All-Stars – Jack Sarnoski, Nick Campana, Drew Foster, John Militano, Ian Coull
- T&G Hometown Magazine Player of the Year – Drew Foster
- T&G All-Stars – Jack Sarnoski and Jordan Edmonds
- Coach Schoolcraft earned his 150<sup>th</sup> varsity win

#### **Softball**

- Overall record 16-6
- Qualified for playoffs; District Semi-Finalists
- Mid-Wach Sportsmanship Award
- Mid-Wach League Co-MVP - Emily Sargent
- Mid-Wach All-Stars - Eileen McGarry, Erin Cressman, Ali Lane, Joyce LaBonte
- T&G All-Stars – Emily Sargent

#### **Boys' Lacrosse**

- Overall record 9-10
- Qualified for playoffs under first year coach, Kevin McNamara
- Mid-Wach All-Stars – Kyle Elkins and Trevor Pilkington
- T&G All-Stars – Trevor Pilkington

#### **Girls' Lacrosse**

- Overall record 10-9
- Qualified for playoffs
- Mid-Wach All-Stars – Brittany Joseph and Olivia Hurd
- T&G All-Star – Brittany Joseph

#### **Boys' Tennis**

- Overall record 10-9
- Qualified for playoffs
- Mid-Wach Sportsmanship Award
- Coach Mason earned her 100<sup>th</sup> win as a varsity coach

#### **Girls' Tennis**

- Overall record 12-5
- Mid-Wach All-Stars – Jillian Winer, Kelsie Zelif, Emily Suglia
- T&G All-Stars – Jillian Winer

#### **Boys' Track & Field**

- Overall record 5-1
- Mid-Wach League Champions (Nashoba hosted MWB League Championship!)
- Class B Champions
- Mid-Wach League All-Stars - John Ojukwu, Forrest Hangen, Mark Puleo, Alex Rhodes, Markesh Harmon, Cam Rothfuss, Matt Mudgett, and Paul Louissaint
- T&G All-Stars – John Ojukwu, Markesh Harmon
- Student-athletes competed in the state meet (John Ojukwu and Matt Mudgett)

#### **Girls' Track & Field**

- Overall record 6-0

- Mid-Wach League Champions
- Mid-Wach All-Stars - Kristina MacLure, Rebecca Jacobs, Tatiana Jarostchuk, Kiran Reed, Meilling Dellagrotte, Mackenzie Snoddy & Tina Orlando
- T&G All-Stars – Sarah Militano and Kristina MacLure
- 3 student-athletes competed in the state meet (Evelyn Cubero, Tatiana Jarostchuk and Kristina MacLure)

#### **Unified Track**

- League Champions – back-to-back years!

#### **2012-2013 Successes:**

- 14 League Titles
- 4 District Titles (GXC, GSOC, GBB, Baseball)
- Wrestling District Finalists
- 3 State Finalists
- Super Bowl Championship
- Unified Track Championship
- 92% of our teams qualified for post-season tournaments

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Student Advisory Report**

Ms. Gurijala reported;

- The start of the school year has been off to a great start, and I speak on behalf of everyone at Nashoba when I say we are excited to start a new school year. It's so different walking through the celery green hallways without all the murals everywhere, but it's a refreshing change we are happy to accept.
- Being given the option to choose our own lockers is really nice, as we have the option to be near our friends, not randomly assigned people. The new rule of putting a lock on our lockers is a good change, because it will definitely reduce the chances of theft- a big problem in the halls.
- The fall play has been announced! The Nashoba Drama Club has decided to perform A Midsummer Night's Dream, a beloved classic.
- The senior class hosted the *Welcome Back Dance* last Friday, right after the first field hockey game of the season.
- In sports news, The fall season is off to a good start and teams are beginning to play their game schedules. Last Friday, the boys' soccer teams, volleyball teams, and field hockey teams opened up their seasons at home. The soccer and volleyball teams played in the afternoon and field hockey played under the lights at night. We had a huge crowd and a lot of fan support! It was a great night. The football has their home opener this Thursday night at 7pm versus Westborough
- The school year is off to an awesome start, and we excited to welcome the 2013-2014 school year at Nashoba!

#### **Finance Subcommittee**

Ms. Busch reported warrants were signed and we will be hearing more on the concession stand later in the meeting.

#### **Personnel Subcommittee**

Ms. Federspiel reported has meet 3 times over the summer with Union members to work on the new evaluation process and procedures which will be discussed later tonight in an executive session.

**Policy Subcommittee**

No Report

**SPED PAC**

No Report

**ESBC**

Ms. Colletti reported the last meeting was cancelled.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**FY14 Budget Approval New Assessments**

Mr. Wood advised the updated town assessments are \$11,968,678 for Bolton, \$10,236,444. for Lancaster and \$14,195,324 for Stow. Mr. Wood reminded the committee that the Bolton assessment was higher due to an error in the kindergarten enrollment count that was not caught by the district or the state and the local contribution formula that was passed. Mr. Wood advised the town was aware of the situation and the district went into town meeting with the town knowing this. Mr. Wood reviewed the document in the packet that detailed the assessments before and after the correction and the steps at special town meeting the town would need to take.

**MOTION**

Jeff Odell made a motion to approve the FY14 budget with the updated town assessments of \$11,968,678 for Bolton, \$10,236,444. for Lancaster and \$14,195,324 for Stow; seconded by Julie Fay **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Jeff Odell, Julie Fay, and Lynn Colletti **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**Donation to Nashoba Athletics**

Mr. Wood advised the Athletic Department has received a \$903.00 donation from two anonymous families in Bolton to purchase new street hockey equipment to start up a Unified Street Hockey Club.

**MOTION**

Jeff Odell made a motion to accept the \$903.00 donation from two anonymous families in Bolton to purchase new street hockey equipment to start up a Unified Street Hockey Club; seconded by Julie Fay **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Jeff Odell, Julie Fay, and Lynn Colletti **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Committee went into Executive Session at 7:08 pm for the purpose of collective bargaining to include Michael Wood, George King, Aleta Masterson, Monica Visco, with Loretta Williams and Kevin Keaveney to be invited in.

**MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to go into executive session at 7:08 for the purpose of collective bargaining to include Michael Wood, George King, Aleta Masterson, Monica Visco, with Loretta Williams and Kevin Keaveney to be invited in...; seconded by Nancy Federspiel.

Ms. Federspiel	Yes
Ms. Busch	Yes
Mr. Odell	Yes
Ms. Colletti	Yes

Ms. Fay Yes

**MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to reconvene to open session at 7:37 pm; seconded by Nancy Federspiel

Ms. Federspiel Yes  
Ms. Busch Yes  
Mr. Odell Yes  
Ms. Colletti Yes  
Ms. Fay Yes  
Ms. Their Yes

**OLD BUSINESS**

**District Improvement Plan**

Ms. Federspiel advised the committee started working on this plan last Winter, hosting a community forum and collecting data. Mr. Wood advised the revised plan is in the packet and has not been changed since reviewed at the last meeting. The committee discussed the BYOD pilot, Mr. Wood stated he it is rolling out very well and all students whether they have their own or not have the use of technology available to them.

**MOTION**

Julie Fay made a motion to adopt the NRSD 13-14 District Improvement Plan as presented; seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, and Lynn Colletti **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

**Superintendent’s Goals**

Mr. Wood advised the goals presented tonight are tied to four new goal areas on the new state rubric. Mr. Wood advised he is going to put together a committee to focus on communication and research the best avenues to reach all our residents, not just parents.

**MOTION**

Cathy Their made a motion to accept the Superintendent’s self reflection and goals as presented seconded by Julie Fay **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, and Lynn Colletti **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

**CITIZENS’ COMMENTS**

NONE

**MOTION**

Julie Fay made a motion to adjourn at 8:06 pm seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, and Lynn Colletti **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Aleta Masterson  
Executive Assistant