

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

September 24, 2013

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Kara Keith, and Reta Rupich

**ABSENT:** Lynn Colletti and 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 6:02 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Topics on consent agenda included:

**September 27, 2013 Warrants**

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3353	9/27/13	VENDOR	\$ 326,221.13
3354	9/27/13	BENEFIT	\$ 673,221.13
3355	9/27/13	PAYROLL	\$1,264,729.41

Minutes of the September 10, 2013 meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**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:

- Substitute Orientation
- Center School CHIPS Award
- Early Release on 9/27/13
- Smart goals
- Collaborative Membership of Superintendent
- Cyber Safety
- BOYD (Bring your own device) Update

### **NRHS Future Vision Presentation**

Dr. Parry Graham provided a powerpoint presentation on his entry and reflection on his first year. Dr. Graham discussed how he gathers information, school strengths, his priorities for improvement, collaboration, innovation, personalization and the resources and support it will take to see his vision through.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Student Advisory Report**

Ms. Gurijala reported;

- The new school year is beginning to settle in, and everyone is getting into the rhythm of things. In terms of sports news:
- The boys and girls cross country teams are both undefeated and had a meet at Hudson this afternoon.
- The golf team is 3-5. They have started their league schedule and playing well.
- The volleyball team is 4-3 and is playing league opponent Hudson tonight.
- Boys soccer started off the season 0-3, but now are on a two game winning streak and playing well. They are traveling to Wachusett tonight for a league game.
- The girls soccer team is 4-0-1 and hosts Wachusett tonight under the lights.
- The football team has started the year with two wins and has continued their winning streak to 28 in a row. The team travels to Wachusett on Friday night.
- The field hockey team is 3-2-1 and are improving each game.
- Lastly, the unified street hockey club is off to a great start. We have 23 students participating.
- There is an Open House on this Thursday night at Nashoba for parents to explore their students' classes.

#### **Finance SubCommittee**

Ms. Busch reported warrants were signed and advised they were updated on the concession stand project at the high school. Mr. Wood advised the Town of Bolton has decided to have DPW review the plans and he will advise when he has an update from them.

#### **Personnel SubCommittee**

Ms. Federspiel reported the educator evaluation protocol will be discussed later in the meeting.

#### **Policy SubCommittee**

Ms. Federspiel reported the policy subcommittee met last week and with present policies during the new business session of the meeting.

#### **SPED PAC**

No Report

#### **ESBC**

Mr. Wood advised they have not met but a meeting is scheduled and provided an update on the punch list and the heating/cooling system issues.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Policies for First Reading**

**AA – School District Legal Status**

**AD – Educational Philosophy**

**BA – School Committee Operational Goals**

**BAA – Evaluation of School Committee Operational Procedures**

**BB – School Committee Legal Status**

**BBA – School Committee Powers and Duties**

Ms. Federspiel advised the policy committee met and advised one of the policy subcommittee's responsibilities is to review policies every 10 years. Ms. Federspiel advised there are no major changes in the policies being presented tonight and reviewed the proposed changes.

### **MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to accept the first readings of policies; AA – School District Legal Status, AD – Educational Philosophy, BA – School Committee Operational Goals, BAA – Evaluation of School Committee Operational Procedures, BB – School Committee Legal Status, BBA – School Committee Powers and Duties; seconded by Nancy Federspiel **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

### **Private School Approvals**

Mr. Wood advised there are five private schools within the Nashoba Regional School District. Mr. Wood advised he has visited these schools and at this time is recommending approval of the Dr. Franklin Perkins School, Trivium School, Browning Elementary and So. Lancaster Academy for approval.

### **MOTION**

Julie Fay made a motion to approval of the Dr. Franklin Perkins School, Trivium School, Browning Elementary and So. Lancaster Academy as private schools within the Nashoba Regional School District.; seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

### **MCAS (Spring 2013 Presentation)**

Mr. Wood advised the state has released the MCAS results. Mr. Wood advised the district is where it has been, we have been consistent. Mr. Wood provided a powerpoint presentation and reviewed the DOE website; detailing the over scores for ELA, Math and Science, past performance comparison, student growth percentile, surrounding district comparison of student growth, narrowing the proficiency gap, and explaining the PPI. Mr. Wood advised at a future meeting he will present the CPI data.

### **Appointment to Assabet Valley Collaborative Board**

### **MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to appoint Michael Wood as the NRSD representative on the board of the Assabet Valley Collaborative; seconded by Reta Rupich **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**Appointment to Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools**

**MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to appoint Michael Wood as the NRSD representative to the Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools ; seconded by Kara Keith **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Contract Proposal**

**Educator Evaluation Protocol**

**MOTION**

Nancy Federspiel made a motion to approve the Educator Evaluation Protocol as presented; seconded by Julie Fay **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**Contract, Article 5 Language**

**MOTION**

Nancy Federspiel made a motion to approve the amended Article 5 contract language as presented; seconded by Reta Rupich **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**Policies – Chemical Hygiene and Science Laboratory Safety Plan, Second Reading**

**MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion to approve the Chemical Hygiene and Science Laboratory Safety Plan as presented in Draft dated 9/18/13; seconded by Reta Rupich **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

NONE

**MOTION**

Reta Rupich made a motion to adjourn 8:03 pm at ; seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Cathy Thier, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, and Kara Keith **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Aleta Masterson  
Executive Assistant