

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

March 18, 2010

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Mel Govindan, Maureen Busch, Richard Fly and Lynn Colletti (arrived at 6:09)

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

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Burke called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

LEGISLATORS' VISIT

Senator Jennifer Flannigan attended the meeting to address any questions or concerns the school committee may have regarding the state budget, the anti-bullying bill, etc. Senator Flannigan provided updates on local aide advising the cut is expected to be 4% and the anti bullying legislation currently being debated.

APPROVAL OF THE March 4, 2010 Minutes

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to approve the minutes of March 4, 2010, as amended and seconded by George Babich **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Maureen Busch and Monica CampoBasso **ABSTAINED:** Nancy Federspiel **VOTED AND PASSED (7-0-1)**

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF March 19, 2010

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3065	03/19/10	VENDOR	\$ 313,710.01
3066	03/19/10	BENEFIT	\$ 292,803.90
3067	03/19/10	PAYROLL	\$1,124,374.51

MOTION

Richard Fly made a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memos dated 3/18/10 and noted above and seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Maureen Busch and Monica CampoBasso **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Ex-Officio Report by Mr. Ryan Nicoll

No Report

Operations SubCommittee

No Report

Policy SubCommittee

Ms. Federspiel reported the subcommittee met on March 11th and advised that the committee discussed the entrance age policy and intra-district transfer policy. Ms. Federspiel also advised two policies will be presented tonight for a second reading, graduation requirements and school choice.

SPED PAC

No Report

ESBC

Ms. Colletti reported the committee met on the 8th and the issue on the stone building is still ongoing. The first amendment to the project scope and budget agreement will be presented later tonight and a vote will be requested.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizens calendar correspondence

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

(The Superintendent's Report is available in full on the NRSD website at <http://www.nrsd.net>)

Mr. Wood reviewed his written report to the committee. Topics included:

- FY2011 State Budget Update
- ESBC Scope and Budget Agreement Amendment
- Calendar Proposals
- District Professional Development Day, March 5th
- Legislator Visit
- Tri Town Meeting
- NRSF Scholarship Phone-a-Thon
- Harriet Tubman's Underground Railroad Student Exhibit

NEW BUSINESS

Adjustment to MSBA Grant (Stow School Project)

Mr. Wood advised the committee the first amendment to the Project Scope and Budget Agreement from the MSBA is included in tonight's packet and requested a vote from the school committee authorizing him to sign this agreement. Mr. Wood also advised there is a spreadsheet in tonight's packet to detail the change between the original Project Scope and Budget Agreement and the first amendment to Appendix A. Mr. Govindan requested the School Committee receive written correspondence from the ESBC when a vote is cast and what the result of the vote was.

MOTION

George Babich made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to sign the First Amendment to the Project Scope and Budget Agreement for the Stow Building Project and seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Maureen Busch **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

SY2010-2011 Calendar

Mr. Burke advised there are three calendar proposals being presented tonight as a result of conversations from the last school committee meeting. Mr. Wood stated he believes the original calendar proposed is still

the best option for time on learning and also advised he does not believe it is necessary to have Election Day off, he believes the district can handle the voter needs. The committee discussed the three proposals.

MOTION

Mel Govindan made a motion to adopt calendar Draft 5A as the 2010-2011 school year calendar and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Maureen Busch **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

Graduation Requirements Policy IKF, Second Reading

Ms. Federspiel advised the only change to this policy from the first reading is the definition of languages was removed.

MOTION

Nancy Federspiel made a motion to accept the second reading and adoption of the Graduation Requirements Policy # IKF and seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Maureen Busch **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

School Choice Policy JFBB, Second Reading

Mr. Wood advised the change to this policy would open it up to K-12 opposed to 6-12 which is the current policy, but the number of seats would be selected based on enrollment at each grade level and town. The committee discussed the impact on class size and district cap on seats.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to accept the second reading and adoption of the School Choice Policy #JFBB, and process and seconded by George Babich **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Maureen Busch **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. Lindsay asked what the calendar/timeline was for voting the assessments. Mr. Wood replied that technically approving the budget is approving the assessments, there will be no changes in the assessments and a formal vote would most likely occur at the next school committee meeting.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Brian Burke, Nancy Federspiel, George Babich, Richard Fly, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Maureen Busch **VOTED AND PASSED (8-0-0)**

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

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