# NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

January 22, 2009

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE**: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Richard Fly, Don Adams, Cathy Giunta, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Ex-Officio Ryan Nicoll

**ABSENT:** Lynn Colletti, Monica CampoBasso

<u>ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE:</u> Michael Wood, Superintendent of Schools, George King, Assistant Superintendent

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Cathy Giunta called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Superintendent's Office.

# **APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF January 23, 2009**

WARRANT NO. DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
WARRANT NO. 2955 1/23/09 2956 1/23/09 2957 1/23/09	DESCRIPTION VENDOR BENEFIT PAYROLL	AMOUNT \$ 377,589.69 \$ 704,795.18 \$1,104,657.13

#### MOTION

Brian Burke made a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated January 22, 2009 and noted above and seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)** 

# **APPROVAL OF THE January 8, 2009 MINUTES**

# **MOTION**

Don Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2009, as amended and seconded by Brian Burke **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)** 

# CORRESPONDENCE

Email from Pat Castner regarding the lights in the parking lots at the schools.

Mr. King provided an update to the correspondence from Paula Castner regarding the lights at Mary Rowlandson School and High School. The situation was caused from an error in the timing devise of the lighting and has been corrected.

Ms. Giunta advised she has received a correspondence from Chris Sterling regarding substitute teacher pay, which she has responded to.

Mel Govindan advised he has received correspondence from Rep. Jen Benson's office asking for a Lancaster representative from School Committee to join her working group. Ms. Giunta will review and advise of her appointment at a later date.

## 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:

- 1. MASS Superintendents' Mid Winter Conference
- 2. Responding to Research on Adolescent Sleep
- 3. Principal Search for Mary Rowlandson Elementary School
- 4. Math Pilot Conclusion
- 5. Worcester County Superintendents' Association Award Luncheon
- **6.** Town Administrators' Meeting
- 7. Lights On

### SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

# Ex-Officio Report by Mr. Nicoll

No Report

# Facilities SubCommittee, by Mr. Govindan

No Report

# Finance SubCommittee, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke reported the Finance SubCommittee will discuss their recommendations on the fees at the next meeting.

## Policy SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

# Personnel SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

## SPED PAC, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke reported approx. 50 guests attended the Holiday meeting, SPED Pac thanks the Administration for their hospitality in setting up the party.

#### ESBC by Ms.Colletti

Mr. Wood reported we have completed the RFS and we have received approx. 45 responses.

# CCC by Ms. Giunta

No Report

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **AUDIT FOR FY2008**

Mr. Richard Sullivan from Powers and Sullivan reviewed the audit reports which were provided to the School Committee members.

#### SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE

Mr. King reviewed the second quarter financial documents posted on the SharePoint site and advised he will be asking for a vote on the recommended budget transfers tonight.

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#### **FY09 BUDGET TRANSFERS**

Mr. King reviewed the Budget Transfer memo and requested the committee vote to approve the transfers as outlined in the memo to Michael Wood dated January 20, 2009.

#### **MOTION**

Brian Burke made a motion to approve the budget transfers as outlined in the memo from George King to Michael Wood dated January 20, 2009 and seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)** 

#### PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY10

Mr. Wood provided a PowerPoint Presentation on the Proposed District Improvement Budget for FY2010 and reviewed same with the committee.

# **Private School Approvals**

#### MOTION

Brian Burke made a motion to accept the recommendation of Sally Sullivan as noted in the memos dated 1/7/09 and 1/9/09 to approve the Dr. Franklin Perkins School and the New River Academy, seconded by Don Adams IN FAVOR: Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)

## Policy - Attendance, First Reading

Mr. Wood advised the Committee that this is a new policy, the district does not currently have an attendance policy. Mr. Wood reviewed the policy provided in their packet with the committee.

#### **MOTION**

Don Adams made a motion to approve the Attendance Policy, JE, as a first reading and seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR**: Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)** 

# **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

# **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

NONE

#### **MOTION**

Mel Govindan made a motion to adjourn seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR**: Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)** 

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Aleta Masterson Executive Assistant

# **NOTES**