

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

March 5, 2009

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Don Adams, Cathy Giunta, David Horne (arrived at 6:08), Mel Govindan, Richard Fly

ABSENT: Lynn Colletti and Ex-Officio Ryan Nicoll

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cathy Giunta called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM in the Superintendent's Office.

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF March 6, 2009

WARRANT NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
2965	3/06/09	VENDOR	\$ 464,686.43
2966	3/06/09	BENEFIT	\$ 42,505.16
2967	3/06/09	PAYROLL	\$1,153,475.66

MOTION

Brain Burke made a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated March 5, 2009 and noted above and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE February 5, 2009 MINUTES

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2009, as amended and seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE February 12, 2009 MINUTES

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12, 2009, as amended and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso **ABSTAINED:** Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-1)**

APPROVAL OF THE February 26, 2009 MINUTES

MOTION

Brian Burke made a motion to approve the minutes of February 26, 2009, as amended and seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **ABSTAINED:** Don Adams **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-1)**

RECOGNITION

Mr. Wood and the School Committee recognized Mr. LeBlanc and the Boys Indoor Track Team for winning the MIAA Division III State Championship.

CORRESPONDENCE

Harold Becker memo regarding Foreign Language
Various Citizens comments memo on calendar
MASC Bulletin

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:

- FY 2010 Budget
- Food Services
- Math Champions
- Indoor Track State Champions
- New Members of the Family
- Standards Based Reporting
- District Calendar Proposal

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Ex-Officio Report by Mr. Nicoll

No Report

Facilities SubCommittee, by Mr. Govindan

No Report

Finance SubCommittee, by Mr. Burke

No Report

Policy SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

Personnel SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

SPED PAC, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke reported the committee met last Wednesday, advised to please check listserve for the latest information.

ESBC by Mr. Wood

Mr. Wood reported the MSBA authorized the hiring of Symmes Maini & McKee Associates for the Architect, we hope to have plans by Town meeting in October.

CCC by Ms. Giunta

No Report

Joint Planning by Mr. Govindan

Mr. Govindan advised the committee met two weeks ago and provided an overview of what the purpose of this committee was and advised they will be meeting bi-monthly.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

FY10 Budget

Mr. Wood provided a revised District Improvement Budget and advised that it is our obligation to construct a budget that provides a sound education for the students of our District while being sensitive to the needs of our member towns, which he believes we have done.

Discussions:

Foreign Language - discussions involved class sizes, model scenarios in middle and high school, language choices, level of introduction. The committee consensus is in favor of leaving in Grade 6 teacher on the budget adjustment spreadsheet to be cut from budget.

Department Heads – committee consensus is the department heads will remain on the budget adjustment spreadsheet to be cut from budget.

ITS Teachers – committee consensus the ITS Teachers will remain on the budget adjustment spreadsheet to be cut from the budget.

Minivan – Mr. Wood advised we will not be purchasing a used minivan to replace mail van, an old drivers ed vehicle will be used instead, committee consensus the minivan will remain on the budget adjustment spreadsheet to be cut from the budget.

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to accept the Budget Proposal dated 1/22/09 to include the adjustments in the memo from Michael Wood dated 3/5/09, resulting in the FY10 budget of \$42,159,550.00 and seconded by David Horne **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

CALENDAR DISCUSSIONS

The Committee had preliminary discussions on the proposed calendar with this topic to be on the agenda for a future School Committee Meeting.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Jim Piermarini (Lancaster FinComm), stated Lancaster's position that they need the School Committee to keep looking at the budget cuts to get Lancaster to a 0% increase.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to adjourn seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

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