

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 2, 2009

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Don Adams, Cathy Giunta, David Horne (arrived at 6:11), Lynn Colletti (arrived at 6:13), Richard Fly and Ex-Officio Ryan Nicoll

ABSENT: Mel Govindan

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.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Wood presented the Public Hearing District Improvement Plan via a PowerPoint Presentation reviewing each slide as presented. Questions/concerns on the following topics were discussed following the presentation;

- Revenue savings leaving the collaboratives
- Out of district tuition
- US History
- Circuit breaker

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF APRIL 3, 2009

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2972	4/03/09	VENDOR	\$ 364,315.67
2973	4/03/09	BENEFIT	\$ 38,258.46
2974	4/03/09	PAYROLL	\$1,118,787.06

MOTION

Brian Burke made a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated April 2, 2009 and noted above and seconded by David Horne **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE March 19, 2009 MINUTES

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of March 19, 2009, as amended and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

CORRESPONDENCE

None

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:

- Stimulus and Stabilization Updates
- CASE
- District Calendar Proposal
- Bus Contract
- Forum on Public Education
- Standards Based Reporting
- Retirement Gala
- Finance Report

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Ex-Officio Report by Mr. Nicoll

1. Athletics

- Spring sports just starting games this week.
- Boys & girls lacrosse won their first games
- 7 sports during spring: Boys/Girls Lacrosse, Boys/Girls Tennis, Track, Baseball and Softball
- Over 325 athletes participating this Spring (1/3 of student population)
- Track meet today; girl's tennis match against Worcester North (win)
- Softball lost yesterday at first game of year
- Baseball and softball play tomorrow
- Boy's tennis starts Monday

2. Battle of the Bands

- Community Service Club is hosting the annual Battle of the Bands this Saturday in order to benefit the Friends of the Sudanese. Over 13 bands are participating and Mr. Cote, Mrs. Calo, and Mr. Roche are the judges.

3. Blood Drive

- Student Council is hosting its annual Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 7th. It is open to the community and to high school students 17 and older. The Red Cross is always in serious need of blood, so all donations are beneficial.

4. Chorus

- All chorus choirs had their 2nd of 3 annual concerts last week. Everyone sang very well, and Pops Choir had several soloists.

5. Sophomore MCAS

- Sophomores had their English MCAS Tuesday, Wednesday, and today. The schedule was changed around a little but other than that the days went smoothly.

6. My Fair Lady

- My Fair Lady was shown in March. There was a big turnout to all three shows and the production was a very big success.

Facilities Subcommittee, by Mr. Govindan

No Report

Finance Subcommittee, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke reported the Finance Subcommittee is working out the details on the Senior Volunteer program with the member towns.

Policy Subcommittee, by Mr. Adams

Personnel Subcommittee, by Mr. Adams

Mr. Adams reminded the committee to submit their Superintendent's evaluation within the next two weeks.

SPED PAC, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke advised the Committee to review the SPEC Pac event calendar and list serve.

ESBC by Mr. Wood

Mr. Wood reported he will be having teleconferences weekly until board meeting in May. Mr. Irvine has arranged school based meetings with SMMA in the next two weeks.

CCC by Ms. Giunta

No Report

Joint Planning by Mr. Govindan

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Parent Teacher Conferences

Mr. Wood reviewed the process for Parent Teacher Conferences in the District.

Concerns were raised regarding;

- Not enough evening hours for working parents to attend
- Times are not uniform across the district
- Schedules should be listed on website so all parents are aware of schedule
- Evening hours should be available until 8:00 pm

CASE Collaborative Membership

Mr. Wood directed the Committee to the memo on the SharePoint Site and requested a vote to inform the CASE Collaborative Board of Directors and it's Executive Director that Nashoba Regional School District plans on ending its membership effective with the close of FY2010.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to accept the Superintendents recommendation to inform the CASE Collaborative Board of Directors and it's Executive Director that Nashoba Regional School District plans on ending its membership effective with the close of FY2010 (June 30, 2010) seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Monica CampoBasso and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

2009-2010 Calendar

Mr. Wood directed the Committee to the new draft(4) of the calendar on SharePoint and introduced Sally Sullivan who provided a copy of the revised proposed calendar and the Professional Development Schedule of Events.

Topics discussed:

- Parent Conferences
- Questions regarding teacher prep time and contractual obligations concerning them
- Difference in ER days on draft 4 from first draft presented

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to adopt the 2009-2010 Nashoba Regional School District calendar as presented in Draft 4 seconded by Richard Fly **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, David Horne, Lynn Colletti and Brian Burke **OPPOSED:** Monica CampoBasso **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-1-0)**

MOU with Town of Stow

Mr. Wood reviewed the revised MOU with the committee.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Gina McNeil (Lancaster) stated she counted 10 early release days and asked for clarification. Ms. McNeil asked if there was any other feedback from citizens since the last meeting.

MOTION

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

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