

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

October 16, 2008

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Richard Fly, Don Adams, Cathy Giunta, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Ex-Officio Molly Flynn-Alling.

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cathy Giunta called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM in the Superintendent's Office.

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF October 17, 2008

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2930	10/17/08	Vendor	\$ 445,896.86
2931	10/17/08	Benefit	\$ 11,422.06
2932	10/17/08	Payroll	\$1,061,476.78

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated 10/17/08 and noted above and seconded by Brian Burke **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

MOTION

Brian Burke made a motion, per policy, to authorize the Finance SubCommittee to approve the October 30, 2008 warrants seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE October 2, 2008 MINUTES

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to approve the minutes of October 2, 2008, as amended and seconded by Brian Burke **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

COORESPONDENCE

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:

1. Early Release PK – 8
2. Power Lunch
3. Enrollment
4. Coordinated Program Review Update
5. Governor's Response to Financial Strains on Massachusetts' State Budget
6. Rotary Talk

November 4th Professional Development Day

Mr. Wood provided a brochure detailing the November 4th District Wide Professional Day and reviewed same with Committee. No questions asked.

First Quarter Finance Report

Mr. King provided the First Quarter Finance Report and reviewed same with the Committee. Mr. King advised the Committee of an error made by Nstar at the Center School, which was a four year metering reading error which will result in a bill of \$39,000, legal counsel has advised the District will be responsible for payment. Mr. Burke questioned the adjustments; Mr. King replied that these will correspond with offsets on the Budget.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Ex-Officio Report by Molly Flynn-Alling

School Committee Student Report for 10/16/08

1. Power Lunch

- Power Lunch was launched at the high school yesterday
- First day had some bumps along the way
- I am sure that people will get used to Power Lunch in a few weeks

2. Student Council

- Student Council held the Homecoming Dance last Friday after the Nashoba-Doherty game
- Nashoba lost the game, but the dance was a big success
- The dance was well attended, especially by a surprising amount of freshmen
- Alee Wade and Jonathan Palmer were elected as the Homecoming King and Queen

3. School Community Council

- SCC had its second meeting on Tuesday, October 14th
- Discussion topics included the Human Experience along with other issues brought up by both student and adult representatives

4. Athletics

- Two MIAA representatives have been elected for our school: junior Kelsey Farrell and senior Jeff Stefanis. They will represent the school at MIAA meetings throughout the year
- Cross country continues its undefeated season, winning against Westborough and Algonquin
- Volleyball, girls soccer, and field hockey are all still in contention for the MIAA playoffs
- Harry Kirkpatrick, a junior on the golf team, qualified for the MIAA District Tournament. He went to states last year

Facilities Subcommittee, by Mr. Govindan

Mr. Govindan reported the Facilities Subcommittee met regarding the District space issue. Mr. Govindan advised that the Skinner Building and the cost of the building and renovations were discussed, also discussed was the option of the Memorial Building in Lancaster.

Finance SubCommittee, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke advised that in November the Finance SubCommittee will be making recommendations on the parking fees and user fees.

Policy SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

Mr. Adams reported the Policy SubCommittee is reviewing the Compensatory Education Policy and the Student Travel Policy.

Personnel SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

SPED PAC, by Mr. Burke

No Report

ESBC by Ms. Colletti

Mr. Wood advised tomorrow is the final date for the RSF OPM and provided a timeline for the project.

CCC by Ms. Giunta

Ms. Giunta reported that the Boosters Raffle has begun, the athletes, some members of the Boosters and Tom O'Brien are selling tickets, which can also be purchased on-line.

NEW BUSINESS

Mabel Hale Fund Donation

Mr. Wood advised the Committee to review Mabel Hale Grant letter in the folder and requested a vote to accept the grant.

MOTION

David Horne made a motion to accept the Mabel Hale Grant Donation in the amount of \$750.00 seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

Building Committee Member for Lancaster

Mr. Wood advised the Committee that we have maximized our space in both the MRE and LBM. Mr. Wood advised that Ms. Linenkemper and Mr. Perkins would like to form a Building Committee for Lancaster. Mr. Govindan advised he has spoken to Orlando and at this point feels it would be more a Task Force. Mr. Wood advised at this point in time this is more for informational purposes than action needed.

District Accommodation Plan Overview

Mr. Wood advised the Committee that the District Accommodation Plan Overview is posted on SharePoint and provided a review of same. Mr. Wood reviewed the new terminology, Response to Intervention (RTI), which is a three tier approach, the District is taking a look at this to define this more clearly throughout the District, (this is not a SPED program). The District is piloting the software, AIMSWEB, which is more regular assessment for students. Mr. Wood advised a presentation will be presented to the Committee in the spring.

Coordinated Program Review Action Plan

Mr. Wood reported on the results of the Coordinated Program Review and advised the Committee that the report is listed on SharePoint along with the Action Plan. The Report was very favorable so therefore the Correction Plan is very short.

OLD BUSINESS

Food Services: Power Lunch Roll out Report

Mr. Wood advised the Committee that Mr. King and Mr. LaCroix have been working very hard to on the roll out of the Power Lunch Program. Mr. King reported that the rollout was this week; this program requires that all students must pre-pay for lunch. There has been a little of a learning curve for the cashiers so therefore the lines are a little longer at the launch. The program will be launched at MRE in January. Mr. King feels this program will be a great asset once the “kinks” are worked out and substantially reduce the lunch line time. Ms. CampoBasso asked what happens if the student does not prepay. Mr. King replied that the system is set up to accept a couple instances; he also advised there is a drop box that students can pay cash daily if paid by 9:30 am. Mr. Wood advised they will continue to monitor the lunch lines.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Committee went into Executive Session at 7:10 pm for the purpose of negotiation strategy.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to enter into an Executive Session at 7:10 pm for the purpose of negotiation strategy to include Michael Wood, George King and Aleta Masterson.; seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to reconvene to open session at 7:20 pm; seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to adjourn seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Lynn Colletti, Mel Govindan and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (8-0-0)**

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

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