

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

June 12, 2008

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Burke, Monica CampoBasso, Richard Fly (left at 7:48), Don Adams, Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan (arrived 6:15, left 8:35), David Horne

ABSENT: Lynn Colletti

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Committee went into Executive Session at 6:01 for the purpose of a personnel issue and update on negotiations with Unit A and Unit C.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to go into an Executive Session at 6:01 pm to include Michael Wood, George King and Aleta Masterson, Monica Visco and Al Fordiani ; seconded by Don Adams **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, Don Adams , and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

MOTION

Mel Govindan made a motion to reconvene to open session at 7:35 pm; seconded by Brian Burke **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF May 29, 2008

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2885	5/30/08	VENDOR	\$ 472,188.98
2886	5/30/08	Benefit	\$ 381,629.91
2887	5/29/08	Payroll	\$1,269,935.20

MOTION

Brian Burke a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated 5/30/08 and noted above and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE WARRANTS OF June 13, 2008

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2890	6/13/08	VENDOR	\$ 383,365.23
2891	6/13/08	Benefit	\$ 9,938.08
2892	6/13/08	Payroll	\$3,577,093.23

MOTION

Brian Burke a motion to approve the warrants as detailed in the memo dated 6/13/08 and noted above and seconded by Monica CampoBasso **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE May 15, 2008 MINUTES

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to approve the minutes of May 15, 2008, as amended and seconded by Mel Govindan **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Richard Fly, Monica CampoBasso, and Brian Burke **ABSTAIN:** David Horne **VOTED AND PASSED. (6-0-1)**

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. *Graduation*
2. *End of Year Events*
3. *New Hires*
4. *Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools*
5. *State Budget News*
6. *Extended Year Services*
7. *Summer Tutoring*
8. *Administrative Intern*
9. *Summer Hours*
10. *READINESS PROJECT: Details Hard to Come By*
11. *Field Maintenance*

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Ex-Officio Report by

No Report

Facilities SubCommittee, by Mr. Fly

No Report

Finance SubCommittee, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke reported that the Finance Committee will undertake a comprehensive study of the athletic/activity fees and report back.

Policy SubCommittee, by Mr. Fly

No Report

Personnel SubCommittee, by Mr. Adams

No Report

SPED PAC, by Mr. Burke

Mr. Burke will be working with SPED Pac over the Summer to increase membership for next year.

ESBC

Mr. Wood advised the Committee of the ICC and Stow documents on the SharePoint site. Mr. Wood advised the committee that a new agreement will be drafted for the June 26th meeting. Mr. Wood advised the committee that the ICC must be voted on at the June 26th meeting.

CCC by Cathy Giunta

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

End of Year Transfers

Mr. King directed the Committee to the End of Year Transfer memo dated June 6, 2008 and spreadsheet located on the SharePoint site and reviewed same with Committee. Mr. Adams would like to see a detailed analysis and future strategy on Food Services before he will vote to transfer \$150,000. to Food Services. Open discussion ensued regarding the Food Services.

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to accept the 80-2 transfers as outlined in the memo from Mr. King dated June 6, 2008 with the exception of the \$150,000 transfer to Food Services seconded by Brian Burke. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

Finance Sub Committee Authority to Approve Summer Warrants

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to grant authority to the Finance SubCommittee to approve Summer Warrants seconded by David Horne. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Mel Govindan, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

High School Late Bus

Mr. Wood addressed the issue of the late bus at the high school. Mr. Wood believes this is the last piece of the puzzle for a comprehensive high school. Mr. Wood's recommendation to the committee is to approve two daily late buses Monday through Thursday. One would be scheduled at 4:00 pm and one at 6:30, drop offs to be decided by the bus company in consultation with the Athletic Director, Principal and Assistant Superintendent.

Open discussion ensued regarding the amount of students using, the routes, and drop off locations. Ms. CampoBasso made a suggestion that a ConnectEd call be made announcing the late bus.

MOTION

Mel Govindan made a motion to accept Mr. Wood's recommendation to approve two daily late buses Monday through Thursday. One would be scheduled at 4:00 pm and one at 6:30, drop offs to be decided by the bus company in consultation with the Athletic Director, Principal and Assistant Superintendent, seconded by Monica CampoBasso. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

Student Calendar – Secondary Early Release

Mr. Wood presented a reconsideration to amend the student calendar to include the high school in the four early release days, those being April 3rd, May 8th, May 22nd and June 5th into the high school calendar.

Ms. Giunta asked Mr. Roche if he thought that the faculty is behind this recommendation. Mr. Roche replied yes, he believes the faculty feels they will lose their connection with their middle school counterparts not having this time to interact with them, especially the 8th grade teacher interaction.

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to accept the recommendation by Mr. Wood to amend the student calendar to include the high school in the four early release days, those being April 3rd, May 8th, May 22nd and June 5th seconded by Mel Govindan. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Mel Govindan, Don Adams, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)**

School Committee Calendar

MOTION

Monica CampoBasso made a motion to adopt the 2008-2009 School Committee Calendar as amended to include the change of the Finance Committee Meeting to 5:15 and June 26th being a regular meeting seconded by David Horne. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams, Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. Lindsay urged the Committee to address the building issue with the Selectman, he advised the likelihood of anyone getting assistance is not likely. Mr. Adams advised that this issue did come up during their conversation with Legislation during Day on the Hill and the feeling was they did not want to get involved.

Mr. Lindsay stated regarding the Budget, think in terms of how much the towns are going to be able to afford, the three finance chairman meet recently and they will be "voicing" their views early in the process for FY10.

Mr. Lindsay also stated he feels a good number for fund raising should be at least \$200,000. before this is presented to the towns again next year.

MOTION

Don Adams made a motion to adjourn seconded by Monica CampoBasso. **IN FAVOR:** Cathy Giunta, Don Adams , Monica CampoBasso, David Horne, and Brian Burke **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant

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