

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

January 5, 2012

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Julie Fay, Reta Rupich, George Babich and Lynn Colletti

**ABSENT:** Jeff Odell

**ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE:** Michael Wood, Superintendent, George King, Assistant Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Federspiel called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Topics on consent agenda included:

**January 6, 2012 Warrants**

<b><u>WARRANT NO.</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>
3211	1/6/12	VENDOR	\$ 274,163.21
3212	1/6/12	BENEFIT	\$ 615,758.08
3213	1/6/12	PAYROLL	\$1,131,487.59

Minutes of the December 22, 2011 meeting

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Student Advisory Report**

Ms. Bennett reported on the following topics;

- Challenges for a Cure the “Minute To Win It Way” takes place at Nashoba on, Friday, January 6, 2012 and the Snow date January 12<sup>th</sup> There is pasta Dinner and Show the dinner is from 5 - 6:30 pm and the show is at 7:00 pm the money for a combo ticket is \$10 but it is just \$5 for the show.
- In sports news;  
Girls’ Basketball has a 6-0 record which is the best start to a season in over 5 years and the most wins in a season for approx. 5 years. The girls had a big win over Algonquin last week defeating the Tomahawks 41-40.

Boys’ Basketball has a Record 3-5 and they defeated Millbury last night 57-29 The team is playing hard, but have had tough battles and close losses to Clinton, Hudson (1 point), and Gardner

As for Ice Hockey their Record is 1-1-3 The team is playing very well – especially on defense. Nashoba Girls’ Ice Hockey We have 3 girls from Nashoba playing with the Nashoba, St. Bernard’s, Leominster, Gardner co-op team. The team is 3-1-1 and our Chieftain student-athletes are doing well.

Wrestling has a Record of 3-6 and the team placed 8th out of 22 teams at the Framingham Holiday Tournament over vacation.

Indoor Track team Boys and girls are both 2-0

The Ski Teams it's been tough for them to practice without much snow at the ski areas, but they have been working hard at school getting in shape for the season.

- Central Senior District Festival concert will be on Saturday, January 14th, at Mechanics Hall in Worcester. All State auditions will be held on Saturday, January 21st at Shrewsbury High School. Good luck to Emily Castner, Danielle Storm, Kerry Anne Conlin, Angie DeSocio, and Connie Jiang.

### **Finance SubCommittee**

Ms. Busch reported the warrants were approved.

### **Personnel SubCommittee**

No Report

### **Policy SubCommittee**

No Report

### **ESBC**

No Report

### **SPED PAC**

Ms. Owen reported the next SPED Pac meeting is January 25<sup>th</sup> and the topic will be the Restraint Policy.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*(The Superintendent's Report is available in full on the NRSD website at <http://www.nrsd.net>)*

Mr. King reviewed Mr. Wood's written report to the committee. Topics included:

- ❖ Center School
- ❖ SY 2012-2013 Calendar
- ❖ Budget process update

### **Tri Town**

Mr. Wood advised he and Kathy Owen attended the TriTown Meeting last night, stating it was a brief meeting with discussions including where the district is in the budget planning process, athletic complex, SOI for the science labs at the high school and the renovations to the Central Offices.

### **Audit Review**

Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Serreti from Powers and Sullivan Assoc. attended the meeting to review the findings of the financial audit. The basic financial statements, management letter and the single audit report on the federal awards were reviewed in detailed. Mr. Serreti provided an overview of the audit process and advised it was a clean audit with no findings.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2012-2013 SY Calendar**

Mr. Wood advised of the calendar development process for the new school committee members. Ms. Visco and Ms. McHale attended the meeting to present the proposed 2012-2013 calendar and reviewed same. Ms. Visco stated the major change in this calendar is the start after Labor Day due to the construction of the new school in Stow. Mr. Wood advised this is for informational purposes and will be voted on at the next meeting. The committee discussed the earlier release days in April following the April vacation.

### **Discussion of Athletic Complex – Next Steps**

Mr. Wood advised that Bill Spratt and Tania Rich are attending the meeting tonight to answer questions that were raised from the Gale Assoc. presentation from the last meeting. Mr. Spratt addressed the concerns raised regarding scheduling of school sports and community usage and the maintenance cost being spent each year to maintain the natural turf field. Ms. Rich reviewed the new MIIA regulations regarding hosting tournaments stating in order to host a tournament you must have stadium seating and a synthetic field. Ms. Rich advised that our own teams had to play at other schools during the playoffs due to the lack of a synthetic field at NRHS. Mr. Wood advised the committee will not be voting tonight and that he is recommended to move forward with option 3. Mr. Wood advised the next steps would be to advance a vote to authorize debt at the next school committee meeting, the district would then have to notify the member towns, if the towns oppose this authorization the towns must call a special town meeting, if the town takes no action then a town meeting is not required and the district can move forward. Mr. Wood advised he will schedule a meeting with town officials to outline the next steps in the complex planning process and the funding of this project.

### **Statement of Interest – Science Labs**

Mr. Wood advised there is a grant opportunity through the state for dedicated funds for the refurbishment of science labs. Mr. Wood advised we would receive approximately 45.95% of the final cost. Mr. Wood advised the process of the MSBA and advised the school committee must vote to submit an SOI. Mr. Wood stated this is the first step in the process, if the MSBA reviews the SOI and entertains moving forward with the district, there will be a series of future votes to move forward.

### **MOTION**

Maureen Busch made a motion of; having convened in an open meeting on Thursday, January 5, 2012, the Nashoba Regional School District of Towns of Stow, Bolton and Lancaster, MA, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated January 6, 2012 for the Nashoba Regional High School located at 12 Green Road, Bolton, MA 01740 which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future for priorities 5 and 7 and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority; seconded by Nancy Federspiel **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Julie Fay, Lynn Colletti, George Babich and Reta Rupich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

**Second Quarter Financial Report**

Mr. King reviewed the second quarter financial report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Head Injury Concussion Protocol**

Ms. Trahman and Ms. Rich attended the meeting to present the Head Injury Concussion Protocol. Ms. Rich reviewed the protocol including the training and documentation that will be required for athletes to complete before participating in any extracurricular activities in the district and upon returning to school after the diagnosis of a concussion. Ms. Rich advised athletes are given a base line test before participating and the test is reissued after a concussion diagnose and reviewed by the district trainer at which time the trainer may opt to hold an athlete back even in the event a primary care physician releases the student.

**MOTION**

Reta Rupich made a motion to approve the interim policy JJIF – Head Injury Concussion Policy as a final policy seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Julie Fay, Lynn Colletti, George Babich and Reta Rupich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

NONE

**MOTION**

George King made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 pm seconded by Reta Rupich **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Julie Fay, Lynn Colletti, George Babich and Reta Rupich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Aleta Masterson  
Executive Assistant