

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 16, 2012

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Jeff Odell, Reta Rupich, George Babich and Lynn Colletti

ABSENT: Julie Fay

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

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Federspiel called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM in the School Committee Conference Room.

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

February 17, 2012 Warrants

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3220	2/17/12	VENDOR	\$ 339,876.54
3221	2/17/12	BENEFIT	\$ 300,998.85
3222	2/17/12	PAYROLL	\$1,147,395.07

Minutes of the February 2, 2012 meeting

Minutes of the February 4, 2012 budget workshop

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Advisory Report

Ms. Bennett reported on activities at the high school including;

- The 2nd annual student faculty Hockey game is happening tonight, March 16, 2012 at 7:20 pm at New England Sports Center.
- Speaking of hockey, Nashoba is doing very well!
- Tonight is trivia night for Amnesty international.
- Nashoba swim wrapped up their season with a wonderful record!
- Miles Hodge won a gold key award from the Boston Globe for his drawings portfolio. He is a senior.
- Tina Orlando also won a silver key award for her photography portfolio. she's a junior.
- CMRSAC
- Students need sleep movement.

Finance SubCommittee

Ms. Busch reported the warrants were approved. The committee discussed next steps for the Track and Field Renovation and Reuse Project, in regards to plans development and fundraising efforts.

Personnel SubCommittee

Ms. Federspiel reported the committee met to discuss contract negotiations for the superintendent's contract, which will be voted on tonight.

Policy SubCommittee

Ms. Federspiel reported the committee met to continue work on the social networking policy which will be presented at a future meeting. The committee also met to discuss the school choice protocol for the 2012-2013 school year, and will be presenting a revised protocol tonight during new business.

ESBC

Ms. Colletti reported the committee met last Monday, and the OPM met with the Selectmen on Tuesday, phase one is completing, it won't be completely finished but we will have temporary occupancy, which means they are moving on Friday.

SPED PAC

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE

Stow resident correspondence regarding staff reduction at the new Center School.
Stow resident correspondence regarding class sizes in Stow.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

Topics included:

- ❖ Ms. Federspiel provided an overview of the TriTown Meeting
- ❖ High School Science Lab SOI
- ❖ Field and Track Renovation and Reuse
- ❖ School Council Meetings
- ❖ Center School Project
- ❖ February 17th Early Release PD Day
- ❖ Lancaster Spelling Bee

NEW BUSINESS

School Choice

Ms. Federspiel advised the policy subcommittee, along with Mr. Wood have been working on the school choice protocol to create a balance of school choice across the district. Mr. Wood advised he is proposing two new elements to the protocol; a cap of 45 total school choice students per town in K-8 and a cap of 96 students per grade level in K-8. The committee discussed the pros and cons to adopting the new caps and class size issues throughout the district and the parity of the class sizes and number of the school choice students in each town. The vote for school choice will be held at the March 2nd meeting.

Superintendent's Salary Amendment FY13

Ms. Federspiel stated, last year the personnel subcommittee negotiated a new five year contract for the Superintendent with a clause that the annual salary increase would be negotiated each year rather than doing it five years out. Ms. Federspiel stated the subcommittee negotiated an increase that matches the teacher's increase of 2.5% for FY13.

MOTION

Maureen Busch made a motion to approve a 2.5% salary increase to the Superintendent's contract for FY13 as negotiation by the Personnel Subcommittee; seconded by Kathy Owen **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Jeffrey Odell, Lynn Colletti, George Babich and Reta Rupich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

FY13 Budget Discussion

Mr. Wood advised at the budget workshop it was requested the administration look at some revenue generating ideas, in response to this request Mr. Wood has included in the packet a handout outlining possible revenue enhancers, that being extended day increase, offering extending day for kindergarten or offering morning extended day and imposing an activity fee at the middle school and high school level. These revenue sources would provide approx. \$108,500 of revenue per year.

Mr. Wood also provided a transportation proposal that would save approximately \$165,000 with the reduction from 29 buses to 22 buses, this proposal would change the start/end times at the schools and would be a large adjustment to some of the families in the district.

Ms. Federspiel advised that the budget and school choice will be voted on at the next meeting.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

MOTION

George Babich made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 pm seconded by Maureen Busch **IN FAVOR:** Nancy Federspiel, Maureen Busch, Kathy Owen, Jeffrey Odell, Lynn Colletti, George Babich and Reta Rupich **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Aleta Masterson
Executive Assistant