NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Emerson School 50 Mechanic Street, Bolton, MA School Committee Conference Room Second Floor

January 15, 2020

<u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Kathy Codianne, Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh

<u>ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE:</u> Brooke Clenchy, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maguire, Assistant Superintendent, Pat Marone, Business and Operations Manager, Ann Marie Stoica, Director of Human Resources, and Joan DeAngelis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Codianne called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Jenny Blount, Stow, attended the meeting to advise her concerns regarding the Special Education Programs.

Sara Sloan, Stow, attending the meeting to advise her concerns regarding the Special Education Programs, the handling of dyslexic students, the frequency of which the School Committee gets report outs on Special Education and the data in the presentation tonight.

Kim Karn, Stow, attending the meeting to advise her concerns with transparency within the Special Education Department and Administration.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES

Chairman Codianne advised the has an update from Tim Norris, the Attorney conducting the investigation at NRHS. Chairman Codianne read the update, which will be posted in tonight's meeting packet at the conclusion of the meeting tonight. Chairman Codianne the committee will be reviewing the School Committee membership and regional agreement at the next meeting. Chairman Codianne will send out a survey to see what "parking lot items" members would like added to agendas.

NRHS Program of Studies Review

Principal Cullinane advised the current program studies will remain the same for the 2020-2021 school year.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to approve the 2020-2021 NRHS Program of Studies, with no changes from the 2019-2020 program; seconded by Leah Vivirito **IN FAVOR**: Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

STUDENT REPORT

Isabelle Sonia, NRHS Student Representative to the School Committee provided an update on academics, sports and events at Nashoba Regional High School and district Schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Clenchy and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maguire provided district updates; the report can be viewed in its entirety at https://www.nrsd.net/Departments/superintendent_s_reports

STUDENT PRESENTATION

Principal Friend and Assistant Principal Grant along with 8th grade students from the Luther Burbank Middle School and their teacher Ms. Sullivan presented a presentation on the advisory program at Luther Burbank MS.

NEW BUSINESS

Luther Burbank Washington DC Trip Donation

Ms. Friend advised she has received a \$1000.00 donation offered to the Luther Burbank Middle School from a parent benefactor whose wish is to remain anonymous to help defray the cost of the 8th grade Washington DC trip, specifically, this gift is intended to help defray the cost of the trip for the three families who have requested financial assistance for this trip.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to accept the \$1000.00 donation offered to the Luther Burbank Middle School to help defray the cost of the 8th grade Washington DC trip, specifically, this gift is intended to help defray the cost of the trip for the three families who have requested financial assistance for this trip; seconded by Dr. Mary McCarthy IN FAVOR: Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)

Special Education and Early Education Update

Joan DeAngelis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services presented a powerpoint presentation on the work of the Office of Pupil Personnel, data 18/19 SY and 19/20 SY to date TEAM meetings, Special Education process, how the district program is evaluated by DESE, initial results from Coordinated Program Review (CPR), evaluation of the FSS Preschool 18/19 program, how the district measures success of the students on IEPs, and a professional development update.

Ms. Marone advised upon review of the expenditures of the Preschool Programs she is recommending a 2% increase in all preschool programs for the 2020/2021 School Year.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to increase the Pre-School tuition by 2%, as presented, for the 2020-2021 school year; seconded by Dr. Mary McCarthy **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh **OPPOSED**: Stephen Rubinstein **VOTED AND PASSED.** (6-1-0)

Preliminary FY21 Budget Update

Superintendent Clenchy and Ms. Marone provided a preliminary budget process update advising that were the budget is now is not where it will land and more cuts will be made before the workshop on January 25th. Ms. Marone advised she is "keeping an eye" on the state numbers.

Superintendent's Mid-Year Review

Superintendent Clenchy provided a powerpoint presentation reviewing her goals and provided a midyear review of same goals.

OLD BUSINESS

Regional Transportation Revolving Fund

Ms. Marone advised she is requesting the transfer of excess Regional Transportation funds from FY19 year end in the amount of \$298,212.00 to the Regional Transportation Revolving Fund.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to approve the transfer of excess Regional Transportation funds from FY19 year end in the amount of \$298,212.00 to the Regional Transportation Revolving Fund; seconded by Stephen Rubinstein **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

MSBA (Mass. School Building Authority) Update

Superintendent Clenchy provided a letter from MSBA and advised on the next steps. Superintendent Clenchy advised she will be seeking a vote at the next meeting to secure funding for the feasibility study.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Warrant Subcommittee

Mr. Rubinstein reported the subcommittee meet on December 18th to start budget review.

Personnel Subcommittee

Mr. Horesh reported on January 8th to start to review the communication plan.

Policy Subcommittee

Ms. Vivirito reported MASC is now in procession of the policy manual and the subcommittee continues to work on student voice policies.

Chairman Codianne advised on upcoming SEPAC presentations.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda included:

Warrants of January 17, 2020

WARRANT NO.	<u>DATE</u>	DESCRIPTION	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4009	01/17/20	VENDOR FY20	\$ 219,786.11
4010	01/17/20	AP ACH FY20	\$ 198,624.73
4011	01/17/20	BENEFIT FY20	\$ 887,137.85
4012	01/17/20	PAYROLL FY20	\$1,406,985.63

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to approve the consent agenda of January 15, 2020 containing the warrants of January 17, 2020 and the meeting minutes of December 18, 2019; seconded by Stephen Rubinstein **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, and Mike Horesh **ABSTAINED**: Dr. Mary McCarthy **VOTED AND PASSED. (6-0-1)**

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT/FUTURE AGENDAS

Recognize WCSA Scholar

NRSD School Committee Meeting Minutes, January 15, 2020
Business Manager Report
Extended Day Camp Update
Employee Insurance Update
NRHS – Vaping
Potential 3rd Bolton SC Member

ADJOURN

MOTION

Stephen Rubinstein moved to adjourn at 9:19 pm; seconded by Leah Vivirito **IN FAVOR**: Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo, Dr. Mary McCarthy and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (7-0-0)**

Reference Documents and Presentations

Agenda
SC Planning Calendar
NRHS Investigation Update to Chair
NRHS Student Representative Report
Superintendent's Report
Luther Burbank Student Presentation
Luther Burbank MS Donation Approval Request
NRHS Program of Studies 19-20
Pupil Personnel Services Update
Pre School Tuition proposed increase
Regional Transportation Revolving Fund
Draft Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2019

Approved by NRSC on 1/29/20