

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

March 11, 2020

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE : Kathy Codianne, Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Stephen Rubinstein, Elaine Sanfilippo and Mike Horesh

ABSENT: Dr. Mary McCarthy

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE: Brooke Clenchy, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maguire, Assistant Superintendent, Pat Marone, Business and Operations Manager and Ann Marie Stoica, Director of Human Resources

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Chairman Codianne called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

STUDENT REPORT
No Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES
Chairman Codianne advised on March 25th Dorothy Presser from MASC will be conducting the Superintendent's Evaluation Workshop. Chairman Codianne also advised Tim Norris will be attending the March 25th meeting to provide his report on the NRHS investigation. Chairman Codianne advised of the district response and procedures for the COVID-19 and district policies governing illness situations.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Superintendent Clenchy provided an update on the COVID-19 (coronavirus), the staff member with a positive test result at The Center School, procedures being done throughout the district, CDC guidelines for K-12 schools, and DESE's requirements for closing a school for health reasons vs. weather related reasons.

WASHINGTON DC TRIPS
Principals Joel Bates, Laura Friend and Kyle Grady attending the meeting tonight to request the School Committee cancel the Washington DC Trips in light of the Governor's recent declaration regarding travel and the COVID-19.

Dr. Maguire provided an update on the cancelled Italy trip for the NRHS students and efforts to recover the cost of the trips for district families.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to cancel all overnight and out of state travel, and take any other action necessary in order to achieve such cancellation, for the remainder of the current school year or until advised otherwise by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education."; seconded by Leah Vivirito **IN FAVOR**: Kathy Codianne, Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Stephen Rubinstein, and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

The Committee discussed internal events (concerts, sports events, plays, etc.) being held in the district and day field trips. Members agreed to err on the side of caution and not institute a “blanket policy” let the building and district administration make timely cancellation decisions as state guidance changes daily.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON COVID-19

Amy Keogh, Stow, advised she is a 1st grade teacher at Center and is concerned about the Parent Conferences and curriculum.

Jen Jerome, Stow, is the parent of a NRHS student who had planned to go on the Italy trip, acknowledged everyone is doing the best they can with the information being provided.

June Mitchell, Stow, agrees with erring on the side of caution when planning school events.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Elizabeth Davis Edwards, Bolton, read a prepared statement regarding the NRHS investigation into the Dorothy Verocka.

Lorraine Romasco, Bolton, asked for clarification if Attorney Norris would be at the next meeting to present the Investigation Report and stating the community is looking at the School Committee for rebuild the trust. Chairman Codianne advised Attorney Norris will present the investigation summary at the March 25th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

NRHS Robotics Trips Approval

Mr. Fordiani requested the School Committee approve the NRHS Robotics trip in the event state and DESE guidelines change on out of state and overnight travel. The School Committee advised if guidelines change by March 31st the Committee will revisit the motion.

NRHS Baseball Trip Approval

Topic not discussed because of previous motion.

DECA Donation Acceptance

Ms. Marone advised the DECA program received three donations; \$2500.00 from Clinton Savings Bank; \$1000.00 from Eastern Bank and \$500.00 from Bolton Global Capital.

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to accept three donations to the DECA Program; \$2500.00 from Clinton Savings Bank; \$1000.00 from Eastern Bank and \$500.00 from Bolton Global Capital; seconded by Leah Vivirito **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Stephen Rubinstein, and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

EDGAR Grant Book

Ms. Marone provided the EDGAR Grant Book and advised the School Committee will need to vote on the book, which will then be provided to the Auditors. Ms. Marone advised MASBO provided the template and it will be voted on at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

FY21 Budget

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to adopt the FY21 budget in the amount of \$58,029,848.00; seconded by Stephen Rubinstein **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Stephen Rubinstein, and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Warrant Subcommittee

No Report

Personnel Subcommittee

No Report

Policy Subcommittee

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda include:

Warrants of March 13, 2020

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4025	03/13/20	VENDOR FY20	\$ 781,703.03
4026	03/13/20	AP ACH FY20	\$ 180,388.91
4027	03/13/20	BENEFIT FY20	\$ 881,007.61
4028	03/13/20	PAYROLL FY20	\$1,584,501.42

Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2020

Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2020

MOTION

Elaine Sanfilippo moved to approve the consent agenda of March 11, 2020 containing the meeting minutes of February 26, 2020 and March 2, 2020 and warrants of March 13, 2020; seconded by Leah Vivirito **IN FAVOR:** Kathy Codianne, Leah Vivirito, Joseph Gleason, Stephen Rubinstein, and Mike Horesh **VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)**

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT/FUTURE AGENDAS

Follow up on Coronavirus

MSBA

MRE Student presentation

Attorney Norris presenting Summary of Investigation

EXECUTIVE SESSION

School Committee went into Executive Session at 7:51 pm pursuant to M.G.L.c.30A, Section 21(a)(1) - to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Committee will adjourn in Executive Session.

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Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Rubinstein	Yes
Ms. Codianne	Yes
Mr. Horesh	Yes
Mr. Gleason	Yes
Ms. Vivirito	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. UNANIMOUS (5-0-0)

Reference Documents and Presentations

Agenda
SC Planning Calendar
Policy EBC - Emergency Plans
Policy - EBCD - Emergency Closings
Policy HIBF - Homebound Instruction
Policy JLCC - Infectious Disease Control
NRHS Robotics Trip Approval
NRHS Baseball Trip Approval
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EDGAR Grant Book
Draft Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2020
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Approved by NRSC 3/25/20