

WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE NMRSD SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE JUNE 11, 2017

BALLOT ELECTIONS FOR ACCELERATED REPAIR PROJECTS

SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION IN PEPPERELL ON JUNE 12TH – The ballot contains three questions for North Middlesex Regional School District for debt exclusions for building repairs.

The ballot elections for the three towns will be held on the dates below:

Pepperell, June 12, 2017

Ashby July 11, 2017

Townsend July 18, 2017

Future informational forums will be held in the towns of Ashby and Townsend as follows:

Townsend Forum will be held on June 20, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at NMRHS

Ashby Forum will be held on June 22, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at Ashby Elementary School

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The next NMRSD School Committee Meeting will be held on June 12, 2017; at North Middlesex Regional High School at 7:00 p.m. Agenda items will include the following:

PRESENTATIONS:

- Hawthorne Brook Middle School ~ School Improvement Plan
- Nissitissit Middle School ~ School Improvement Plan
- North Middlesex Regional High School ~ School Improvement Plan
- North Middlesex Regional High School ~ Flex Period Proposal

REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Student Representative Report ~ Hadley Beauregard and Paige Zacharakis
2. Superintendent's Report
 - a. RFP Legal Counsel Update
3. Building Committee Report – Update
4. Public Communications – 10 minutes will be allotted

POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE:

The policy subcommittee recommends the school committee adopt the following policy for (an amended 1st reading):

- EFCD Meal Charge

The policy subcommittee recommends the school committee adopt the following policy for (2nd reading):

- IHAM Health Education
- IHAM-R Health Education

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (discussion and vote):

- The Superintendent is recommending an FY 17 budget transfer for a total of \$124,819.35.
- FY18 Technology job descriptions and additional 1.0 FTE

OLD BUSINESS (discussion and vote):

1. 2017-2018 School Calendar Recommended Amendment Update
2. To authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a contract with Four Rohwers Inc, DBA Kidsborough of Hopkington for before and after school care with an initial four-year term and one optional renewal year.

NEW BUSINESS (discussion and vote)

1. The Superintendent is recommending the school committee vote to extend the food service contract for FY2018. This is the second year of this contract award, and the contract has four (4) optional one-year extensions.
2. Approval of the updated Hawthorne Brook Middle School Handbook for the 2017-2018 School Year.
3. Approval of the updated Nissitissit Middle School Handbook for the 2017-2018 School Year.
4. Approval of the updated North Middlesex Regional High School Handbook for the 2017-2018 School Year.
5. Appointment of Superintendent Landers to the Valley Collaborative Board of Directors for the July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 term.
6. Appointment of Superintendent Landers to the FLLAC Educational Collaborative Board of Directors for the July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 term.
7. The North Middlesex Regional School District vote to enter into a 5-year lease agreement with the FLLAC Educational Collaborative at the Squannacook Early Childhood Center.

8. School Copy Paper Bid Award

The Superintendent is recommending the school committee vote to extend the W.B. Mason Copy Paper 2016-2017 contract utilizing the 1-year option for FY 2017-2018.

9. District Copier Lease Bid Award

The Superintendent is recommending the school committee vote to award a three-year lease agreement with Ricoh Copiers from 2017-2018 through 2019-2020.

10. The Superintendent recommends that the school committee vote to declare all items on the NMRHS Science Department disposal list as surplus.

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT

The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional High School Building Committee will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017; at the high school at 5:00 PM. Agenda items include the following:

OPM REPORT:

- a) Construction Progress Photo Update.
- b) Review Construction Project Schedule
- c) Review Project Budget
- d) Review/Approve Contractors Construction Change Order
 - i. Construction Change Order Summary
- e) Update on Western Ballfields – Grading/Sod Changes
- f) Review/Approve Technology-TV Studio & Computers Bid Results - to be presented

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) General Discussion
- b) Common Area – Large Format Tile Installation – Subcontractor Performance
- c) Update of Gym Volleyball Court Nets
- d) Other Business Not Reasonably Anticipated within 48 hours of Meeting
- e) 2017/18 Building Committee Schedule

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nissitissit Middle School

June 13: Grade 5 Band/Chorus at 6:30 p.m.

June 15: Grades 6-8 Chorus at 6:30 p.m.

June 22: Grades 6-8 Band at 6:30 p.m.

TECHNOLOGY PARENT/GUARDIAN SURVEY

The North Middlesex Regional School District would appreciate feedback from parents/guardians regarding technology use in the district for our student population. Please complete the survey via the link below by June 27, 2017. <https://goo.gl/forms/5X1RpD9QXLqUIOB83>

NORTH MIDDLESEX EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The North Middlesex Regional School District administration is interested in establishing an education foundation for our schools. The foundation would raise funds to award mini-grants to teachers and staff to provide enrichment opportunities for our students.

The NM Education Foundation would explore the possibility of establishing a recognition program for former students who have achieved major accomplishments and educators and friends who have made outstanding contributions to education in the North Middlesex Regional School District.

If you are interested in being a part of this exciting initiative, please contact the Superintendent at jlanders@nmrsd.org.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Sports Physicals will be conducted by Jayne Laurin-Kinney from Pedi West on Friday, June 16, 2017; beginning at 8:00 a.m. Students will be called down to the health office for their sports physical. Forms are available in the health and athletic offices. A parent/guardian must sign a permission slip for their son/daughter to participate in this process.

These are sports physicals to permit athletes to play sports and are not meant to take the place of the more in-depth annual physical by a student's primary doctor.

Any questions, please call the health office or the Athletic Trainer, Melissa Easley.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Please be sure to check the school website <http://www.mwlma.org/public/genie/382/school/43/> for schedule updates and changes.