

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Ashby – Pepperell – Townsend
Massachusetts

Finance Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 16, 2015

North Middlesex Regional High School, 19 Main Street, Townsend, MA 01469

PRESENT

Chairperson	William Hackler	Member, At-Large ~ Absent
	Jonna Clermont	Member, Pepperell
	Susan Robbins	Member, Townsend
	Randee Rusch	Member, At-Large

ALSO PRESENT

Joan Landers	Superintendent
Nancy Haines	Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISTRICT BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

1. District Budget Goals

The Superintendent shared ideas on the 2016/2017 budget goals.

Suggested opportunities:

- Human Resource Director
- District Facilities
- Technology's two-year plan
- New in-house special education programs
- Consistency in programming and staffing across the schools
- How do we market/brand our District?
- Looking at updating/revamping the District website, logo, letterhead, etc.
- Before and after school daycare and enrichment programs
- Class sizes
- Common Planning
- Accelerated programs for gifted children
- Media Program
- Academic programming in the high school
- Theater Program

2. 2017 Budget Discussions

The Superintendent is looking at having focused budget requests from the leadership team. The Superintendent would like to have each budget leader share their budget requests with the full school committee on January 11 and January 25.

Nancy Haines shared several budget books from area school districts for the subcommittee to review. Mrs. Rusch shared that the District FY 17 Budget Book should be more narrative than numbers.

The Superintendent recommended that the Principals come to the December 14, 2015 finance subcommittee meeting to share how the implemented social, emotional programs have made a difference in their schools.

3. 2015-2016 Budget Meeting Dates

The Superintendent provided the subcommittee with the 2016 fiscal year budget schedule.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- December 14, 2015

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded Jonna Clermont to adjourn at 5:44 p.m.

Vote: Unanimously passed

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Bilotta-Simeone, Recording Secretary