

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

MINUTES

Monday, March 23, 2009
North Middlesex Regional High School

PRESENT

Chairperson	Arnold Silva	Member-Pepperell
Vice Chairperson	Frederick J. Wheeler III	Member-Townsend
	Sue Fitzgerald	Member-Pepperell
	Tamara Leclerc	Member-At-Large
	Kathy Low	Member-Pepperell
	Michael Morgan	Member-At-Large
	Susan Robbins	Member-Townsend
	Frederick Wheeler IV	Student Representative

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Deborah Brady	Assistant Superintendent
Gerald Martin	Business Manager
Barbara Conti	Director of Human Resources
Parents	
Townspeople	
Press	

ABSENT

Ken Brown	Member-Ashby
Anne Buchholz	Member-At-Large

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM
2. The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School Committee will be held on Monday, April 6, 2009 at the North Middlesex Regional High School at 7:30 p.m.
3. A motion was made by Sue Fitzgerald and seconded by Susan Robins to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2009 meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Student Representative Report – Frederick Wheeler IV presented the student report.

2. School Newsletters
 - a. Ashby Elementary School – 3/13/09
 - b. Spaulding Memorial School – 3/6/09
 - c. Peter Fitzpatrick School – 3/13/09
 - d. Hawthorne Brook Middle School – March 2009
 - e. Nissitissit Middle School – 3/13/09
 - f. Squannacook Elementary School – 3/13/09
 - g. North Middlesex Regional High School – Feb/March 2009
3. Blue Ribbon Recognitions – Dr. Marshall shared a visual presentation highlighting achievements/honors of NMRSD students and staff.
4. Public Communications – Mrs. McDonald, Parent from Ashby, read a statement encouraging the committee and administration to consider moving grade 5 & 6 students from AES to HBMS.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

1. Warrant Subcommittee

The Chairman informed the Committee that available for Committee review are Warrant #'s: 09-0305, 09-0312, 09-0313, 09-0319; Payroll Warrant for Weeks of March 5, 2009 and March 19, 2009. The warrants have been reviewed and signed by the Warrant Subcommittee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Asbestos Removal

A motion was made by Fred Wheeler and seconded by Tamara Leclerc to appropriate from the district's Excess & Deficiency Account an amount not to exceed \$ 33,000 (for removal and replacement of floor tile) for extraordinary and unforeseen costs related to required asbestos removal at schools within the district.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mike Morgan-yes; Kathy Low-yes; Sue Fitzgerald-yes; Tamara Leclerc-yes; Susan Robbins-yes; Fred Wheeler-yes; Arnie Silva-yes.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Fred Wheeler and seconded by Tamara Leclerc to set the FY2010 lunch/milk prices as follows:

Type A Lunch	\$2.25	(K-4)
	\$2.50	(5-12)
Milk	\$.60	(K-12)

The motion passed unanimously.

3. A motion was made by Fred Wheeler and seconded by Susan Robbins to accept a donation from Kathryn Low with matching funds from Deluxe Corporation totaling \$200 to North Middlesex Regional High School.

The motion passed 6-0-1. Kathy Low abstained.

4. A motion was made by Sue Fitzgerald and seconded by Susan Robbins to approve the out-of-state field trip by NMRHS Foundations of Education Class to Claremont, NH on April 16, 2009.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. School Calendar Dissemination & Discussion

A draft of the 2009-10 school calendar was distributed and briefly reviewed by the Superintendent. The Superintendent will recommend a calendar for formal approval on April 6, 2009.

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Fred Wheeler and seconded by Kathy Low to enter into executive session in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23-B, Paragraph (3) for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining. (The Committee will not return to open session.)

A roll call vote was taken:

Mike Morgan-yes; Kathy Low-yes; Sue Fitzgerald-yes; Tamara Leclerc-yes; Susan Robbins-yes; Fred Wheeler-yes; Arnie Silva-yes.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Landry, Secretary