

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

**MINUTES**

Monday, May 11, 2009  
North Middlesex Regional High School

**PRESENT**

Chairperson	Arnold Silva	Member-Pepperell
Vice Chairperson	Sue Fitzgerald	Member-Pepperell
	Ken Brown	Member-Ashby
	Tamara Leclerc	Member-At-Large
	Kathy Low	Member-Pepperell (arrived at 6:12 PM)
	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
District Personnel	
Parents	
Press	

**ABSENT**

Anne Buchholz	Member-At-Large
Robert Templeton	Member-Townsend

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM
2. The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School Committee will be held on Monday, June 8, 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 Robbins to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2009 meeting as amended.

The motion passed 6-0-1. Tamara Leclerc abstained.

4. Tamara Leclerc requested that her name be added as a representative on the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council for the 2009-10 school year.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Student Representative Report – Fredrick Wheeler IV presented the student report.
2. School Newsletters
  - a. Ashby Elementary School – 5/1/09
  - b. Squannacook Elementary School 5/1/09
  - c. Hawthorne Brook Middle School – April 2009
3. Class of 2009 College Acceptances – as of 4/17/09
4. Public Communications – No one addressed the Committee.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Warrant Subcommittee

The Chairman informed the Committee that the following warrants are available for review: Warrant #'s: 09-0423, 09-0429, 09-0501 and Payroll Warrant for Week of April 30, 2009. The warrants have been reviewed and signed by the Warrant Subcommittee.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Chief Erving Marshall, Townsend Police Department, addressed the Committee relative to a drug awareness community relations program that the three police chiefs would like to get involved in conjunction with the school district.

A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Sue Fitzgerald to approve and support a joint effort to work with the police chiefs on the drug awareness community relations program with a shared cost of \$600.

The motion passed 6-1. Mike Morgan voted no.

2. Community Service Trip Presentation

A brief presentation was given by NMRHS students who participated in the Community Service trip to New Orleans, Louisiana in February 2009.

3. Out-of-State Field Trip Request

A motion was made by Sue Fitzgerald and seconded by Kathy Low to approve the North Middlesex Regional High School out-of-state trip to New Orleans, Louisiana on February 12-20, 2010.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. American Drug & Alcohol Survey - Explanation

Barbara Conti reviewed the plans to conduct a drug and alcohol survey of Gr. 8 students in June. The survey will be repeated when these students reach Gr. 10. The cost of the survey will be funded by the Safe & Drug Free School Grant. The results will be used for planning strategies for health education.

## **REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Sue Fitzgerald 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 return to open session.)

A roll call vote was taken:

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

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

The Committee returned to open session at 7:13 PM.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Kathy Low and seconded by Sue Fitzgerald to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Nancy A. Landry, Secretary