

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

MINUTES

Monday, September 28, 2009
North Middlesex Regional High School

PRESENT

Vice Chairperson	Sue Fitzgerald	Member-Pepperell
	Anne Buchholz	Member-At Large (arrived at 7:05 PM)
	Ken Brown	Member- Ashby
	Kathy Low	Member-Pepperell
	Michael Morgan	Member-At Large
	Susan Robbins	Member-Townsend
	Robert Templeton	Member-Townsend

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Maureen Marshall	Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Deborah Brady	Assistant Superintendent
Barbara Conti	Director, Human Resources
District Administrators	
Parents/Community Members	
Press	

ABSENT

Chairperson	Arnold Silva	Member-Pepperell
	Tamara Leclerc	Member- At Large

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM.
2. The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School Committee will be held on Monday, October 26, 2009 at the North Middlesex Regional High School.
3. A motion was made by Sue Fitzgerald and seconded by Susan Robbins to approve the minutes of September 14, 2009.

The motion passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Student Representative Report –Shanti Scott presented the student rep. report.
2. Hawthorne Brook Happenings – Sept. 2009
3. Squannacook Early Childhood Center Newsletter – Sept. 2009
4. NMRHS Parent Newsletter – Sept. 2009
5. Title I Newsletter – Vol. 1, Issue 1
6. Class Size Update
7. H1N1 Update – Barbara Conti provided an update on upcoming vaccination clinics to be held in the three towns in conjunction with the Nashoba Board of Health.
7. Public Communications – Mrs. Helen Nett, Pepperell Parent, addressed the committee relative to plant & facilities concerns at Varnum Brook Elementary School.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

1. Warrant Subcommittee

The Vice Chair informed the committee that available for review are Warrant #'s: 10-0910, 10-0918, 10-0921, 10-0922, 10-0924 and Payroll Warrant for 9/17/09. The warrants have been reviewed and signed by the Warrant Subcommittee.

OLD BUSINESS

1. FY10 Budget

- a. A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Kathy Low to readopt the Fiscal Year 2010 net school spending budget for the North Middlesex Regional School District in the amount of \$38,532,841; FY2010 transportation budget in the amount of \$ 2,918,000; and debt service in the amount of \$1,553,622.

A visual presentation on the recertification of the FY10 budget was presented by the Superintendent. A discussion ensued.

A roll call vote was taken:

Anne Buchholz-yes; Mike Morgan-yes; Kathy Low-yes; Rob Templeton-yes; Susan Robbins-yes; Ken Brown-yes; Sue Fitzgerald-yes.

The motion passed unanimously.

- b. A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Kathy Low to appropriate from the district's Excess & Deficiency Account an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for extraordinary and unforeseen costs included but not limited to special education, data management, school closing, and asbestos removal.

A discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Ken Brown and seconded by Susan Robbins to move the question.

A roll call vote was taken:

Anne Buchholz-no; Mike Morgan-no; Kathy Low-no; Rob Templeton-no; Susan Robbins-no; Ken Brown-yes; Sue Fitzgerald-yes.

The motion to move the question was defeated by a vote of 5-2.

Discussion on the main motion continued.

A roll call vote was taken:

Anne Buchholz-yes; Mike Morgan-yes; Kathy Low-yes; Rob Templeton-yes; Susan Robbins-yes; Ken Brown-yes; Sue Fitzgerald-yes.

The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion was made by Anne Buchholz and seconded by Susan Robbins to approve the Gr. 9 Environmental Studies out-of-state field trip to Mount Monadnock State Park, Jaffrey, NH on October 9, 2009.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Rob Templeton to approve the application for a Cooperative Swim Team with Leominster High School and Montachusett Regional Vocational High School.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Kathy Low to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Landry, Secretary