

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

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 17, 2012
North Middlesex Regional High School

PRESENT

Chairperson	Susan Robbins	Member, Townsend
	Jonna Clermont	Member, Pepperell
	Michael Morgan	Member, At Large
	Robert Templeton	Member, Townsend
	Randee Rusch	Member, At Large

ALSO

PRESENT

Dr. Deborah Brady	Assistant Superintendent
Barbara Conti	Director of Human Resources
Ken DeBenedictis	Senior Consultant, NESDEC
Press	

ABSENT

Vice Chairperson	Ken Brown	Member, Ashby
	Anne Buchholz	Member, At Large
	Sue Fitzgerald	Member, Pepperell
	Arnie Silva	Member, Pepperell

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM
2. The Chair informed the Committee and Audience of the recording of the meeting.
3. The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School District School Committee will be held on Monday, January 23, 2012 at 6:30 PM at North Middlesex Regional High School.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Superintendent Search
NESDEC Consultant Ken DeBenedictis was introduced to the Committee. Dr. DeBenedictis provided a brief overview of his background.

The Committee reviewed the draft of the ad and announcement. He requested that the Committee review and modify the ad and announcement by January 26th. Online ads would be placed in Education Week and AASA online newsletter to run week of February 13th. If

the Committee wishes to place a print ad with Education Week, the cost is an additional \$1,200.00.

A brief discussion ensued.

The Committee reviewed the proposed timeline for the search. Dr. DeBenedictis requested the next meeting be held on February 2nd to discuss the search committee and focus groups.

Dr. Brady and Barbara Conti volunteered to “fill in the blanks” on the advertisement and announcement and forward to the Committee for review on January 23rd.

Dr. DeBenedictis briefly reviewed NESDEC’s guide for focus groups. Some of the Focus Groups they suggest meeting with include: teachers, school administrators, school committee, parent representatives, community members, and town officials. The Committee will discuss focus groups in more detail at the Feb. 2nd meeting. The Chair requested Committee members send a list of focus groups to School Committee Secretary prior to February 2nd.

Information on selecting a screening committee was briefly reviewed. This will also be discussed in greater detail at the Feb. 2nd meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jonna Clermont and seconded by Robert Templeton to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Landry, Secretary