

NOTICE OF MEETING/AGENDA

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: February 10, 2014 (Snow date: Feb. 11, 2014) Time of Meeting: 7:00 PM

Day of the Week: Monday (Snow Date: Tuesday)

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

1. Roll Call
2. The Chairperson hereby informs the Committee and audience members of the recording of this meeting.
3. The **Public Hearing** on the proposed FY15 Budget will be held on Monday, February 24, 2014 (Snow date: Tuesday, February 25, 2014) at 7:00 PM.
4. The next meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School Committee will be held on Monday, February 24, 2014 (snow date: February 25, 2014) at North Middlesex Regional High School following the Budget Hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes:
 - January 27, 2014
2. Out of State/Out of Country Field Trip Requests
 - NMRHS Grade 10-12 students enrolled in Spanish 3A (or higher) to Barcelona & Madrid, Spain – April 16-23, 2015
 - NMRHS Robotics Team to Concord, NH –February 22, 2014

PRESENTATIONS

1. NMRHS Building Committee

NEW BUSINESS

1. Suggested Vote of the Regional District School Committee re Approval to Borrow to Pay Costs of Constructing a New District High School:

VOTED: That the North Middlesex Regional School District appropriates Eighty-Nine Million Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$89,084,977) for the purpose of paying costs of constructing a new District High School, to be located at 19 Main Street, in Townsend, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the District has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation the District is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 16(d) of the General Laws and the District Agreement, as amended, or pursuant to any other enabling authority. The District acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA shall not exceed the lesser of (1) sixty and sixty-three hundredths percent (60.63%) of eligible, approved Project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

FURTHER VOTED: If the Building Committee determines that bid savings can be realized with respect to the Project, such savings may be applied by vote of the Building Committee to pay costs of a Project bid alternate to design and construct a maintenance facility building to be located on the site of the Project, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, the approximate cost of which is expected to be \$801,350, or such lesser amount as may be available within the total amount authorized to be expended for the Project. The District acknowledges that the costs incurred for this potential Project bid alternate are the sole responsibility of the District and are not eligible for reimbursement from the MSBA. No amount shall be borrowed or expended to pay costs of this Project bid alternate, except for amounts necessary to solicit bids therefor, unless a majority vote in support of this Project bid alternate has been obtained at town meetings held in each of the member towns.

FURTHER VOTED: If the Building Committee determines that bid savings can be realized with respect to the Project, such savings may be applied by vote of the Building Committee to pay costs of a Project bid alternate to design and construct athletic facilities upgrades, including upgrades to the athletic fields, spectator facilities and the running track all located on the site of the Project, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, the approximate cost of which is expected to be \$2,688,916, or such lesser amount as may be available within the total amount authorized to be expended for the Project. The District acknowledges that the costs incurred for this potential Project bid alternate are the sole responsibility of the District and are not eligible for reimbursement from the MSBA. No amount shall be borrowed or expended to pay costs of this Project bid alternate, except for amounts necessary to solicit bids therefor, unless a majority vote in support of this Project bid alternate has been obtained at town meetings held in each of the member towns.

FURTHER VOTED: That within seven (7) days from the date on which the foregoing votes are adopted the Secretary be and hereby is instructed to notify the Boards of Selectmen of each of the District's member towns as to the amount and general purposes of the debt herein authorized, as required by the District Agreement and by Chapter 71 of the General Laws.

REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Student Representative Report
2. Superintendent's Report
3. Building Committee Update
4. Public Communications - 10 minutes will be allotted

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Warrant Subcommittee - Available for Committee review are Accounts Payable Warrants: 14-0123 & 14-0130 and payroll warrant: 1/30/14
2. Policy Subcommittee – Update
3. Finance Subcommittee
 - a. Request to change date of FY15 Budget Adoption Meeting from March 10 to Monday, March 3, 2014

OLD BUSINESS

1. Capital Expenditure Plan/Maintenance Plan
2. Draft Letter to DESE re: PARCC – Discussion/Vote

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT