



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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Date of Meeting: **April 10, 2023**

Time of Meeting: **7:00 p.m.**

Day of the Week: **Monday**

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AGENDA

- The Chairperson hereby informs the Committee and audience members of the recording of this meeting.
- Roll Call
- The next scheduled meeting of the North Middlesex Regional School Committee will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2023, 2023.

7:00	OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FY 2023-2024 SCHOOL CHOICE	ACTION
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. There will be a Public Hearing on School Choice for the year 2023-2024, according to Chapter 76, Section 12b, of the Massachusetts General Laws. All interested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard.2. Committee Discussion3. Public Discussion4. Other Questions/Discussion5. Vote <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee opt out of participation in the School Choice program and not enroll school choice students for the 2023-2024 school year due to budget restraints and space availability.</i>6. Close Public Hearing on 2023-2024 School Choice	
7:00-7:05	CONSENT AGENDA – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN	ACTION
	Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ March 20, 2023 Accounts Payable Warrants:	

OUR MISSION: North Middlesex Regional School District is dedicated to providing a comprehensive educational experience focused on students becoming contributing members of society.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 23-0321 \$98.63 ▪ 23-0323 \$159,302.78 ▪ 23-0327 \$8.00 ▪ 23-0330 \$228,011.34 ▪ 23-0403 \$8.00 ▪ 23-0406 \$889,773.80 <p>Payroll Warrants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ March 30, 2023 <p>Donations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Awarded \$37,900 in funding through the Accelerated Literacy Learning through High-Quality Instructional Materials Grant (FC719). The grant is funded through the fund code 719, which is federal funding. ▪ \$417.70 from Red Brick Clothing NM Spirit Wear program ▪ \$153.50 from Bailey's Bar and Grill Give Back Program SEPAC ▪ \$3,000 for Project Graduation from Walmart for the Walmart Community Grants Team and Facility #2118. <p><i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee approve the consent agenda as presented.</i></p>	
7:05-7:15	<p>PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Public Comment is welcomed and encouraged. Anyone who would like to participate in public comment, please click HERE to register or visit our website. Your registration must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2023. 	
7:15-7:20	<p>REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chairperson's Report – Craig Hansen 2. Superintendent's Report – Brad Morgan 	UPDATE
7:20-8:00	<p>NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL DISCUSSION – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Out-of-State Field Trip Request – J. Webster <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee approve the HBMS out-of-state trip to Mystic, CT to visit the Mystic Seaport and Mystic Aquarium on June 14, 2023.</i> 2. Statement of Interest for HBMS – N. Haines <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee vote to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated April 14, 2023, for the Hawthorne Brook Middle School located at 64 Brookline Street, Townsend, Massachusetts, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future</i> <i>Priority 7: Priority shall be given to school projects needed in the judgment of said authority to replace or add to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the North Middlesex Regional School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.</i> 	ACTION

8:00-8:10	OLD BUSINESS – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN	ACTION
8:10-8:30	SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accelerated Repair – L. Martin 2. AES Building Committee – J. McNeil 3. Building Committee – C. Hansen 4. Communications – T. Casey 5. Finance – L. Martin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FY24 Budget: Discussion and Budget Adoption <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee adopt an operational budget for FY2024 of \$ _____, a FY2024 transportation budget of \$ _____, FY2024 debt service of \$ _____, and to use these funds to calculate FY2024 school assessments for member towns as required by statute. In addition, the committee authorized the use of \$ _____ from Excess and Deficiency Account to offset the FY2024 operational budget.</i> 6. Negotiation & Personnel (T. Casey) 7. Policy (R. Rusch) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regional Agreement 2. CB Regional School Superintendent <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee approve policy CB Regional School Superintendent for adoption.</i> 3. CBI Evaluation of the Superintendent <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee approve policy CBI Regional School Superintendent for adoption.</i> 	ACTION
8:30-8:45	EXECUTIVE SESSION – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN <i>Suggested motion: Move that the School Committee meets in executive session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, sec. 21(a) for the following purpose:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Purpose (2): To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel Superintendent of Schools).</i> ▪ <i>Purpose (7): To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Executive Session Minutes dated March 20, 2023</i> <p>The Committee will reconvene in an open session.</p>	ACTION
8:45-8:50	OPEN SESSION	ACTION
8:50-8:55	OTHER BUSINESS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED WITHIN 48 HOURS OF MEETING	ACTION
8:55	ADJOURNMENT	ACTION
	NOTE: The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.	