

North Reading Public Schools
North Reading, Massachusetts

Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Open Session

Date: June 10, 2021

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Virtual Meeting (+1 475-441-4825 / PIN: 932 356 195#) meet.google.com/cxq-kauo-muy

School Committee Members Present

Dyana Boutwell
Scott Buckley
Janene Imbriano
Rich McGowan
Chris Pappavaselio

Staff Members Present

Patrick Daly – Superintendent of Schools
Cynthia Conant - Director of Student Services
Cindy Elmore –Recording Secretary

I. Call to Order Open Session

Chair Scott Buckley called the Open Session to order at 6:02 pm.

Executive Session

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21, to enter into Executive Session to discuss the North Reading Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement and personnel updates, and to return to Open Session. Motion passed 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Mr. Buckley called the Open Session back to order at 6:45 pm.

II. A. Public Input: There was no public input.

II. B. Student Report:

Ms. Sophia Galuppo, Class of 2022, shared the student report and presented her class work.

II. D.1. Presentation: North Reading Special Education Parents Advocacy Council (SEPAC):

The SEPAC receives its statutory authority from Chapter 71B, Section 3 of the Massachusetts General Laws. This authority is also codified in the Code of Massachusetts Regulations (CMR), 603 CMR 28.07 (4). The Chairperson of the SEPAC should make an annual report to the School Committee.

North Reading SEPAC Co-Chairpersons, Ms. Kathy O'Donnell-Bustin and Ms. Kimberly Piper, provided a presentation regarding the SEPAC's accomplishments in 2020-2021 as well as an overview of plans for the future. Ms. Cynthia Conant, Director of Student Services attended the meeting.

II. F.2 Subcommittee Update:

Ms. Allison Kane, Performing Arts Teacher, presented a proposal to the School Committee for a trip from April 26th through May 1st, 2022 for the Performing Arts department students to go to Disneyworld to participate in a joint educational and performance venture with Disneyworld professionals. A vote will be taken at the June 21, 2021 meeting.

Mr. Buckley gave an update of the May 25, 2021 Finance Planning Team meeting.

Mr. McGovern gave an update of the May 19, 2021 Fine Arts Subcommittee meeting.

Ms. Imbriano gave an update of the May 19, 2021 Athletic Subcommittee meeting.

Subcommittee Schedule: TBD

II. C.1. 2020-21 School Year Update: Return to In-Person Learning

Dr. Daly provided an update of the progress of our schools in the 2020-2021 school year. Updates included the vaccination clinics for students, heat days, in-person learning, summer programs, and more.

II. D.2. North Reading Education Association Contract:

Mr. Buckley advised the committee/audience that the NREA negotiations are continuing and hopefully at the next meeting a vote can be taken.

II. D.3. Summer 2021 Update:

Dr. Daly shared information about summer programs and the DESE grant for the Summer Acceleration Academy.

II. D.4. Fall 2021 Update:

Dr. Daly provided updates on the plans for the Fall of 2021 including busing, Middle and High School arrival and dismissal, and possible COVID-19 procedures.

II. D.5. NRPS 2025 Update:

Dr. Daly updated the School Committee on the upcoming visioning workshops he will be leading with various stakeholders as well as the plans for the administrative summer retreats.

II. E.1 Minutes: No minutes to review.**II. E.2. Budget Update:** No budget update.**II. E.3 Staffing:** No staffing updates.

II. E.4. Bids and Donations:

Superintendent Daly requested the acceptance of the following donations:

- Chartwells: \$1,000.00 donation to the student scholarship for seniors.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept with gratitude a donation of \$1,000.00 from Chartwells to be applied to student scholarships to benefit graduating seniors at the High School. Motion passed 5-0 on a roll call vote.

- Hood Parent Association: \$70.00 donation to benefit the purchase of a trampoline for the Hood School.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept with gratitude a donation of \$70.00 from the J.T. Hood School Parent Association to benefit the purchase of a trampoline at the Hood School. Motion passed 5-0 on a roll call vote.

- The Kindness Exchange: \$3,540.00 in-kind donation of assorted thank you gifts for teachers at the High School.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept with gratitude an in-kind donation of assorted thank you gifts for teacher appreciation of a long and difficult year valued at \$3,540.00 (118 @ \$30), from the Kindness Exchange to benefit the North Reading High School. Motion passed 5-0 on a roll call vote.

II. F.2. Administrative Report:

- Middle School Vice Principal announcement – Ms. Laura Oliveto will be the new NRMS Vice Principal.

II. F.3. Correspondence: No correspondence currently.**III. Future Business: All are dependent on the current shelter in place orders.**

Monday	June 21, 2021	6:30 PM	School Improvement Plans
Monday	July 26, 2021	6:30 PM	Superintendent's Goals / School Committee Goals
Thursday	August 12, 2021	6:30 PM	Fall 2021 Planning / School Committee 2021 Goals

V. Adjournment:

The Committee voted on a motion made by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Mr. McGowan to adjourn at 8:27 pm. Motion passed 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Documents and Exhibits:

1. NRHS Performing Arts Trip 2022 Overview
2. Office of Teaching & Learning – Transition / Entry Planning
3. Gift Acceptance Memo – Chartwells
4. Gift Acceptance Memo – J.T. Hood Parent Association
5. Gift Acceptance Memo – The Kindness Exchange