

NORTH READING PUBLIC SCHOOLS
North Reading, Massachusetts

Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Open Session

Date: June 19, 2017
Time: 6:30 PM
Place: Distance Learning Lab

School Committee Members Present

Scott Buckley
Julie Koepke
Janene Imbriano
Gerald Venezia
Mel Webster

Staff Members Present

Jon Bernard – Superintendent of Schools
Michael Connelly – Director of Finance and Operations
Cindy Elmore – Recording Secretary

Visitors: Ms. Catherine O’Connell (Principal, NRMS), Mr. A.J. Loprete (Principal, NRHS), Mr. Michael Maloney (NRMS, Assistant Principal), Ms. Marcia Bailey, Ms. Deanna Castro, Mr. Dan Tomasello (of the North Reading Transcript)

I. Call to Order Open Session:

Chair Mel Webster called the Open Session to order at 6:32 PM.

II. A. Public Input:

No public input at this time.

II. B. Student Input: No student report until September 25, 2017.

II. C.1. MSBA/SSBC Update

- Nothing new to report since the June 12, 2017 School Committee meeting.

II. D.1. Presentation: School Improvement Plans
North Reading Middle School
North Reading High School
Superintendent’s Professional Practice Goal
Superintendent’s District Improvement Goal #1

Ms. Catherine O’Connell and Mr. AJ Loprete, Principals of North Reading Middle School and High School respectively, reviewed the progress made to achieve their 2016-2017 School Improvement Plan goals and presented their 2017-2018 School Improvement Plans.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. Buckley and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept the North Reading Middle School’s School Improvement Plan for 2017-2018. Motion passed 5-0.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Koepke and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept the North Reading High School's School Improvement Plan for 2017-2018. Motion passed 5-0.

D.1. Proposal: North Reading Middle School Trip: Washington, D.C. 2018

Mr. Michael Maloney, NRMS Assistant Principal, gave a presentation for a proposed trip to Washington, D.C. for grade 8 students for 2018. Mr. Maloney also gave a recap of this year's Washington, D.C. trip.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. Venezia and seconded by Ms. Koepke to approve the Washington, D.C. trip for the 8th grade class for June, 2018. Motion passed 5-0.

II. E.1. Minutes:

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Mr. Venezia to approve the May 1, 2017 Executive Session minutes as written. Motion passed 3-0-2. Mr. Webster and Mr. Buckley abstained.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Mr. Venezia to approve the May 1, 2017 Open Session minutes as written. Motion passed 3-0-2. Mr. Webster and Mr. Buckley abstained.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to approve the May 30, 2017 Open Session minutes as written. Motion passed 4-0-1. Mr. Buckley abstained.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to approve the June 5, 2017 Open Session minutes (prior to Town Meeting) as written. Motion passed 4-0-1. Mr. Buckley abstained.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Koepke and seconded by Mr. Buckley to approve the June 12, 2017 Open Session minutes as amended. Motion passed 4-0-1. Ms. Imbriano abstained.

Amendment: Section III C.1. – First bullet: replace “is scheduled to take place” to “took place.”

II. E.2. Budget Update:

Mr. Connelly, Director of Finance and Operations, presented the fiscal year 2017 Budget Update.

II. E.3. Staffing: No staffing update at this time.

II. E.4. Bids and Donations:

Superintendent Bernard requested the acceptance of the following donations:

- Friends of Hornet Productions; in-kind donation of \$260.00 to support costs for thirteen Middle School students to attend the Massachusetts Music Educators Association Junior Districts Choral Event.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to accept with gratitude an in-kind donation from the Friends of Hornet Productions valued at \$260.00 to support costs for 13 Middle School students to attend the Massachusetts Music Educators Association Junior Districts Choral Event. Motion passed 5-0.

- Friends of Hornet Productions; in-kind donation valued at \$814.00 to subsidize the cost of the Project Fashion enrichment program for Middle School students.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to accept with gratitude an in-kind donation from the Friends of Hornet Productions valued at \$814.00 to subsidize the Project Fashion enrichment program for Middle School students. Motion passed 5-0.

- Friends of Hornet Productions; in-kind donation valued at \$1,750.00 to subsidize a two-part “Wicked” themed enrichment program for Middle School students.

The Committee voted on a motion by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to accept with gratitude an in-kind donation from the Friends of Hornet Productions valued at \$1,750.00 to subsidize a two-part “Wicked” themed enrichment program for Middle School students. Motion passed 5-0.

II. F.1. Subcommittee Reports:

Subcommittee Schedule:

a) Athletic Subcommittee	June 20, 2017	12:30 PM
b) Charlie Jones Dedication	June 20, 2017	4:30 PM
c) SSBC	June 20, 2017	5:30 PM
d) Policy Subcommittee	June 27, 2017	7:00 AM
e) Finance Planning Team	August 4, 2017	8:15 AM

II. F.2. Administrative Report:

- Superintendent gave a shout out to the cast of crew of the Little School presentation of “Madagascar.”
- Reminder of the Charlie Jones dedication tomorrow at 4:30 PM at the NRMS/HS

II. F.3. Correspondence: No correspondence at this time.

III. Future Business:

July 24, 2017	4:30 PM	Goals Workshop – Superintendent’s Conference Room
	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting – Distance Learning Lab NRMS/HS
August 28, 2017	4:30 PM	Goals Workshop – Superintendent’s Conference Room
	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting – Distance Learning Lab NRMS/HS

V. Adjournment:

The Committee voted on a motion made by Ms. Imbriano and seconded by Ms. Koepke to adjourn at 8:48 pm. Motion passed 5-0.

Documents and Exhibits:

1. NR Middle School - School Improvement Plan 2017-2018
2. NR High School - School Improvement Plan 2017-2018
3. NRMS Trip to Washington, D.C. – 2018
4. Minutes: May 1, 2017 – Executive Session
5. Minutes: May 1, 2017 – Open Session
6. Minutes: May 30, 2017 – Open Session
7. Minutes: June 5, 2017 – Open Session
8. Minutes: June 12, 2017 – Open Session
9. NRPS FY17 Budget Report
10. Gift Acceptance Memo – Friends of Hornet Productions
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