

North Reading Public Schools
North Reading, Massachusetts

Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Open Session/Town Meeting

Date: October 7, 2019
Time: 6:15 PM
Place: Superintendent's Conference Room

School Committee Members Present

Dyana Boutwell
Scott Buckley
Janene Imbriano
Rich McGowan
Chris Pappavaselio

Staff Members Present

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

Visitors: Mr. Ethan Pelmas (Student NRHS), Ms. Sotirios Pintzopoulos (Teacher and Faculty Advisor to the Model United Nations Club), Ms. Jillian String (of the North Reading Transcript)

I. Call to Order Open Session:

Chair Scott Buckley called the Open Session to order at 6:17 PM.

II. A. Public Input:

There was no public input.

II. B. Student Report:

There was no student report.

II. D.1. Proposal: North Reading High School Trip; Harvard Model United Nations Conference 2020

Mr. Sotirios Pintzopoulos, a teacher at NRHS and faculty advisor to the Model United Nations Club, along with student Mr. Ethan Pelmas requested approval to attend and participate in the 2020 Harvard Model United Nations Conference on Thursday, January 30, 2020 to Sunday, February 2, 2020.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to approve the NRHS Model United Nations Club to attend the 2020 Harvard Model United Nations Conference in Boston from January 30 to February 2, 2020. Motion passed 5-0.

II. C.1. School Committee Policies

Mr. McGowan and Mr. Pappavaselio, members of the Policy Subcommittee gave a brief overview of Policy GCP for approval for a second reading.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Mr. Pappavaselio to approve the second reading of Policy GCP – Reinstatement (Sick Leave Benefits). Motion passed 5-0.

II. C.2. 2019-2020 School Committee Goals (Action Plan/Timeline)

Superintendent Bernard reviewed the 2019-2020 School Committee Goals Action Plan and Timeline.

II. D.2. Fiscal Year 2021 North Reading Public Schools' Capital Improvements Plan

Mr. Connelly, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, reviewed the five-year Capital Improvements Plan priority list to be submitted to the Capital Improvements Planning Committee by October 11, 2019.

The School Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to approve the large capital improvement projects and in the priority order presented by the Administration to the Capital Improvements Planning Committee for fiscal year 2021, 2022, and 2023. Motion passed 5-0.

II. E.1 Minutes:

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Mr. Pappavaselio to approve the August 26, 2019 Executive Session minutes as written. Motion passed 3-0-2, Ms. Imbriano and Ms. Boutwell abstained.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Mr. Pappavaselio to approve the August 26, 2019 Open Session minutes as written. Motion passed 5-0.

II. E.2. Budget Update:

No budget update at this time.

II. E.3 Staffing:

No staffing changes.

II. F.4. Bids and Donations:

Superintendent Bernard requested the acceptance of the following donation:

- Class of 2019; Kaitlin Shevlin, Treasurer; \$570.00 class donation toward a new high school sign.

The Committee voted on a motion by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Ms. Imbriano to accept with gratitude a total donation of \$570.00 from the Class of 2019 to be used towards a new high school sign. Motion passed 5-0.

II. F.1. Subcommittee Updates:

Ms. Imbriano gave an update of the September 18, 2019 Athletic Subcommittee meeting.

Mr. McGowan gave an update of the September 25, 2019 Fine Arts Subcommittee meeting.

Mr. Buckley gave an update of the October 1, 2019 Finance Planning Team meeting.

Mr. Pappavaselio gave an update of the October 2, 2019 Policy Subcommittee meeting.

Subcommittee Schedule:

a)	Policy Subcommittee	October 16, 2019	3:30 PM
b)	NORCAM BOD	October 24, 2019	7:00 PM
c)	Substance Use Coalition	October 29, 2019	10:00 AM
d)	Policy Subcommittee	October 31, 2019	3:00 PM
e)	Finance Planning Team	November 8, 2019	8:15 AM
f)	Athletic Subcommittee	November 20, 2019	12:30 PM
g)	Fine Arts Subcommittee	November 20, 2019	2:30 PM

II. F.2 Administrative Report:

No administrative report at this time.

II. F.3. Correspondence:

No correspondence at this time.

III. Future Business:

October 21, 2019	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting Distance Learning Lab at North Reading Middle/High School
October 22, 2019	6:00 PM	STEAM Night Performing Arts Center and Main Street at North Reading Middle/High School
October 28, 2019	6:30 PM	Fright Night: The Hallowed Haunts of Edgar Allan Poe Performing Arts Center at North Reading Middle/High School
November 4, 2019	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting Distance Learning Lab at North Reading Middle/High School
November 7, 2019	6:30 PM	School Safety Summit Distance Learning Lab at North Reading Middle/High School
November 18, 2019	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting Distance Learning Lab at North Reading Middle/High School

The School Committee moved from the Superintendent's Conference Room to the Performing Arts Center for Town Meeting at 6:57 p.m.

IV. Adjournment:

The Committee voted on a motion made by Mr. McGowan and seconded by Mr. Pappavaselio to adjourn at 10:13 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

Documents and Exhibits:

1. Memo – Request to attend the Harvard Model United Nations Conference 2020
2. Policy – GCP – Noncertified Personnel – Reinstatement (Sick Leave Benefits)
3. North Reading School Committee Goals Action Plan 2019-2020
4. Large Capital Project Priority List
5. Minutes – Executive Session – August 26, 2019
6. Minutes – Open Session – August 26, 2019
7. Gift Memo – Class of 2019