NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF VIRTUAL MEETING HELD April 29, 2020

This virtual meeting of the Narragansett School Committee was held remotely and open to the public as communicated via Zoom Meetings.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE: Ms. Tammy McNeiece, Chairperson; Dr. Diane Nobles, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Frank White, Clerk; Mr. Justin Skenyon; and Ms. Rebecca Durkin.

OTHER SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE: Dr. Peter Cummings, Superintendent, Ms. Karen Hagan, Director of Finance and Administration, Melissa Denton, Director of Student Services, Director of Curriculum, Gail Dandurand, Director of Technology, Giulio Lugini.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 5:11 pm.

Compliance with Governor's Executive Order 20-05, dated March 16, 2020

- Discussion/Vote on whether this meeting is for an essential purpose.
- Discussion/Vote on whether there is public access to the meeting through adequate, alternative means

OPEN FORUM: No One Spoke

ORAL REPORTS

Superintendent's Report: gave a brief update on continuing distance learning to end of school year. The surveys we have distributing have been helpful to gain feedback. Teachers have been working hard to improve each week. One thing that changed were lunch times to make it easier for parents. Department of Student Services has been doing an excellent job. Technology department has been hugely critical keeping us afloat during virtual learning. Attendance is above 90% on a regular basis and the goal is to keep that going. Concerned about early year learners and reaching them through virtual means, but working on how to engage more and keeping students on track. How to plan for school opening and keeping with CDC guidelines and the finances behind it. The hope is that we stay complied with guidelines to enable us to open in the fall if that is possible. Working with planning teams on what has to happen for an opening to take place. There is a lot of work, but we will be ready and not leave anything to chance. Tammy asked about live meetings at the schools. Dr. Cummings noted that on a regular basis, all teachers are doing live sessions so they have live contact with students. Highlighted some teachers on how they're making it unique and engaging.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 1. Approval of the purchase of Curriculum Materials for NPS and NHS Math
- 2. Approval of Resolution to participate in Temporary Disability Insurance for Administrators and Administrative Support Staff.
- 3. Approval of the purchase of a Back-Up Server for the Information Technology Department

FUTURE MEETINGS/BUSINESS

May 20, 2020 5:00 PM Virtual Meeting,

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. White, to adjourn at 6:06 PM.