

NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD July 23, 2014

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The regular meeting of the Narragansett School Committee was held on Wednesday, July 23, 2014, at the Narragansett Town Hall – Assembly Area, 25 Fifth Avenue, Narragansett, Rhode Island.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE: Ms. Tammy McNeiece, Chairperson; Dr. Diane Nobles, Vice Chairperson, and Mr. Frank White, Mr. Guy deWardener, and Mr. Keith Ranaldi.

OTHER SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE: Ms. Katherine E. Sipala, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Karen Hagen, Director of Finance and Administration; Mr. Toby Gibbons, Assistant Principal, Narragansett High School; Mr. Brian Tetreault, Assistant Principal, Narragansett Pier School; Ms. Lisa Monahan, Assistant Principal, Narragansett Elementary School; Mr. David Correira, Director of Transportation & Grounds; and Mr. Dick Fossa, Athletic Director NHS.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed. (Note: This meeting was the re-scheduled due to lack of quorum and was originally scheduled for July 16, 2014.)

SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF JULY 23, 2014 MEETING:

MOTION: moved by Ms. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Ranaldi to seal the Executive Session Minutes of July 23, 2014.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES. No votes were taken.

OPEN FORUM: No one spoke.

ORAL REPORTS:

1. School Committee Reports:

Ms. McNeiece reported that the NCACF has kicked-off the brick paver campaign which will run from July 7th through November 4th. The brick pavers will be placed in the main entrance way to the new athletic complex. They are available in two sizes, 4" x 8" for \$100 and 8" x 8" size for \$175, and can be ordered on-line or by completing an order form and attaching a check. Ms. McNeiece informed the Committee that \$1.1 million dollars has already been raised for this project.

Ms. McNeiece also updated the Committee on the start of the Narragansett Running Association's Youth Track Series with 705 kids already participating.

2. **Superintendent's Report:** Ms. Sipala reported on the Capital Plan which will need approval by RIDE. There will be a meeting at RIDE on a date to be determined. RGB (Robinson, Green & Beretta) the Providence-based architecture, engineering, and interior design firm who did a study on our facilities, will make their presentation to RIDE based on their findings.

Ms. Sipala also reported on the changes in the teacher evaluation process. The RI House of Representatives recently passed a bill that cuts back the number of evaluations for highly effective and effective teachers to once every four years and once every three years, respectively. The process had required principals to evaluate every teacher every year.

Ms. Sipala also informed the Committee and public on the Legislated change that moves the teacher layoff notification date from March 1 to June 1. The previous layoff notification date required that school committees make estimations of their budgets and staffing needs well before the end of the current school year leading to constant insecurity, stress and an over delivery of notifications to teachers every single year.

3. **School Showcase:** Athletic Director Mr. Dick Fossa introduced Coach Salomone and the Narragansett Girls Softball D-III / State Champions. Mr. Dick Fossa also recognized Coach Salomone for receiving "Coach of the Year".

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes:

- A. June 18, 2014 Executive Session-Limited Distribution CA-1A
- B. June 18, 2014 Regular Business Meeting CA-1B

2. Routine Personnel Actions:

Appointments – Other

Daley, Nancy, .5 Director of Curriculum and Professional Development, District, Compensation: \$49,204.80, effective for the 2014-15 school year.

Retirements – Classified

Early, Karen, Computer Tech, NES, Effective June 30, 2015

Layoffs – Classified

Taylor, Cheryl, Teacher Assistant, NES, effective June 30, 2014

Reeder, Alice, Teacher Assistant, NES, effective June 30, 2014

Zuecher, Melissa, Teacher Assistant, NES, effective June 30, 2014

Appointments – Certified

Sylvia, Carrie, 1.0 School Nurse, NES, Compensation: Step 4: effective August 25, 2014.

Jennifer Brodeur, 1.0 Grade 7/8 ELA, NPS, Compensation: Step 2: effective August 25, 2014.

Kane, Sarah, .6 Chorus, NHS, Compensation: Step 2: effective August 25, 2014.

Appointments – Classified

Deflorian, Mary, Bus Monitor, Transportation, Compensation: \$10.88/hr, 20hrs/wk, 36 wks/yr, effective August 25, 2014.

Taylor, Cheryl, Teacher Assistant, NES, Compensation: \$18.73/hr, 17.5 hrs/wk, 36 wks/yr, effective August 25, 2014.

Appointments – Coaches NPS

Ranaldi, Deborah	Cross Country Coach	Stipend: \$2680.67
Ranaldi, Keith	Volunteer Cross Country	Stipend: N/A
Lubic, Mark	Girls Soccer Coach	Stipend: \$1858.92

Appointments – Coaches NHS

Kanaczet, Ryan	Boys' Soccer Coach	Stipend: \$5944.40
Mahoney, Kathryn	Girls' Soccer Coach	Stipend: \$4940.96
Kennedy, Kevin	JV Boys' Soccer Coach	Stipend: \$2635.73
Razza, Kristen	Cheerleading Coach	Stipend: \$3451.25
Shields, Robert	Cross Country Coach	Stipend: \$3451.25
Goudreau, Michael	JV Cross Country Coach	Stipend: \$1729.54
Hummel, Abby	Volleyball Coach	Stipend: \$3294.66
Barlow, Peter	Girl's Tennis	Stipend: \$3451.25
Salomone, Michael	Co – Head Football Coach	Stipend: \$3275.00
Lussier, Christopher	Co – Head Football Coach	Stipend: \$3275.00
Salomone, Michael	Co – Assistant Football Coach	Stipend: \$1965.00
Lussier, Christopher	Co – Assistant Football Coach	Stipend: \$1965.00

Appointments - Teacher Leaders/Extra Curr. Positions - NES - School Year 2014-15

Barr, Susan	Teacher Leader Grade K	Stipend: \$3000.00
Mulvey, Kimberly	Teacher Leader Grade 1	Stipend: \$3000.00
Cook, MaryAnn	Teacher Leader Grade 3	Stipend: \$3000.00

Prest, Carol Teacher Leader Grade 4 Stipend: \$3000.00
Batchelder, Carol Teacher Leader Unified Arts Stipend: \$3000.00

Appointments - Teacher Leaders/Extra Curr. Positions - NPS - School Year 2014-15

Craven, Susan Teacher Leader Grade 5 Stipend: \$3000.00
McPartlin, Sheila Teacher Leader Grade 6 Stipend: \$3000.00
Mellors, Carolyn Teacher Leader Grade 7 Stipend: \$3000.00
Holden, Kevin Teacher Leader Grade 8 Stipend: \$3000.00
Simeone, Michael Teacher Leader Unified Arts Stipend: \$3000.00

3. Reports:

- A. Enrollment Report CA-3A
- B. Budget Transfers CA-3B
- C. Maintenance Report CA-3C

MOTION: moved by Mr. Ranaldi, seconded by Mr. deWardener, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Consent Agenda items CA-1A, CA-1B, CA-2, CA-2 Addendum, CA-3A, CA-3B, CA-3C).

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

BUDGET REPORT Mr. White reported that as of June 30, 2014, \$25,592,582.77 (93.45%) of the FY14 Budget of \$27,380,216.00 has been expended. \$25,899,882.23 (94.59%) has been expended and encumbered.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Approval of NESP Contract July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Ranaldi to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the NESP Contract for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

Discussion: Ms. Sipala noted that changes in the one year NESP contract reflect the increase in pension contributions from 8% to 10% and adding longevity to the retirement formula. Many thanks to Mr. White and Mr. deWardener who served on the negotiating team along with Michele Lamb, Bruce Goodness and Barbara Baskins.

2. Approval of Policy II.E.4. Comprehensive District and School Safety Plans (3rd Reading)

MOTION: moved by Mr. Ranaldi, seconded by Mr. deWardener to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Policy II.E.4. Comprehensive District and School Safety Plans.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

Discussion: Mr. Tetreault answered questions about the process used for formulating this policy. Ms. Sipala asked that wording be changed to policies and/or procedures everywhere that it appears in the document.

3. Approval of Policy V.A.3 Attendance (1st Reading)

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. deWardener to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Policy V.A.3 Attendance (1st Reading).

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

4. Approval School Handbooks

MOTION: moved by Mr. deWardener, seconded by Dr. Nobles to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2014-15 Narragansett Elementary School Handbook.

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. deWardener to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2014-15 Narragansett Pier School Handbook.

MOTION: moved by Mr. Ranaldi, seconded by Mr. deWardener to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2014-15 Narragansett High School Handbook.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

5. Approval of Bus Routes

MOTION: moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Nobles to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the School Bus Routes for School Year 2014-15.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Tammy McNeiece-Aye Diane Nobles-Aye
Frank White-Aye Guy deWardener- Aye
Keith Ranaldi-Aye

COMMUNICATIONS

FUTURE MEETINGS/BUSINESS

August 20, 2014 Regular Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Narragansett Town Hall Assembly Area.

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. White to adjourn at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White, Clerk