

**NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING HELD September 19, 2012**

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The regular meeting of the Narragansett School Committee was held on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, 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
Mr. Frank White, Clerk; Dr. Douglas Pierson & Mr. Guy DeWardener.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Katherine E. Sipala, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Karen Hagan, Director of Finance & Administration; Ms. Elizabeth Pinto, Director of Student Services; Ms. Gail Dandurand , Principal, Narragansett Elementary School; Ms. Marianne Kirby, Assistant Principal, Narragansett Pier School; Mr. Daniel Warner, Principal, Narragansett High School Principal; & Mr. David Correia, Director of Transportation.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. **SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2012 MEETING**
D.Nobles/F.White (5/0)
- IV. **REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES**
Approval of Homeschooling requests for four (4) Students. Approved (5/0)
- V. **OPEN FORUM**
The Iannotti family spoke to the School Committee about filing a waiver request with RIIL regarding the issue of their daughter, and niece, being found ineligible to play volleyball for Narragansett High School while attending the Lincoln School for girls.
- VI. **ORAL REPORTS**
 1. School Committee report.

Mr. Doug Pierson reported the Special Education Advisory met last night and the next meeting will be held on Tuesday November 13, 2012. Mr. Pierson asked that, due to the fact that he is not running for re-election, someone from the Committee could cover that meeting.

Ms. Tammy McNeiece reported that the Narragansett Back on Track Road Race will be held on Sunday, September 3, 2012, at 10:00 AM, at Narragansett High School.
 2. School Reports
Ms. Dandurand reported that the Narragansett Elementary School received \$9K in Grant money to help roll out the common core in Mathematics. The K-2 classrooms are preparing to roll out ELA and Math. There were only 12 Districts receiving this grant out of 56 applications. Ms. Dandurand reminded parents that “Sundaes on Sunday “ takes place this weekend.

Ms. Kirby reported that the Narragansett Pier School had 39 new enrollments including students from Columbia and China and 19 of these students were from out-of-state. Common Core work in Grades 8 will

be rolling out ELA this year, Grades 5-8 in Math. On Friday, the Pier School will have it's very first "all school writing" assignment. Teachers will utilize double blind scoring .

Mr. Warner reported Math & ELA Common Core is also being rolled out at Narragansett High School beginning with the 9th graders. Tomorrow is the Open House at NHS. The 10th grade Academy begins it's first year at NHS. Mr. Warner also reported that NHS received a Financial Literacy Award. The Powder Puff game on Sunday kicks off the start of Spirit Week. Please note that the game scheduled for Sunday evening has been changed to a location at NHS and will take place in the afternoon due to the EEE concerns. The public is welcome to view the decorations at NHS each morning.

Mr. Warner introduced Bob Cooney as the Interim Assistant Principal. Mr. Cooney is helping to implement a new incentive, to get students to school on time. This idea was a result of PBIS. NHS will not be accepting absence passes from parents. Mr. Warner has a plan to review School Governance with the Leadership Committee and research different plans or models for schools our size. Mr. Warner will report to Committee by December 1st on his findings.

Ms. Pinto, Director of Student Services, reported on the restructured duties of the Behavior Specialist and Social Worker.

3. Superintendent 's Report.

The Superintendent updated the Committee on the status of enrollment.

Introductions were made of some of the recently hired employees, including: Joe Doorley, Marianne Adams ; Theresa Cavanaugh; Karen Contois; Mr. Bob Cooney; Judith Kisseberth; Becky Marcello; Kathleen McCoombs; Bridgette McPhillips; Jaclyn Smith Mary Patty ; Rebecca Marcello, Joan Pratley , Jose Acuirre, Tammy Johnson, & Russ Matuszack.

Mr. Warner introduced Mr. Reis as Narragansett's "Teacher of the Year".

The Superintendent informed the public that an 11th grade Foreign Exchange female exchange student is in need of a placement from now thru June. Her initial placement fell through.

In other business, a presentation was made by Dan Barry, of Barry Associates. Mr. Barry reported that he recently concluded meetings with community members who were targeted as potential donors for our Athletics Capital Campaign. Mr. Barry was happy to report that he was able to surmise that 75% of the people in these focus groups will consider donating, which is above the average of 60% in this type of project. He indicated that a "Campaign Goal" in the \$500-\$600K range would be a reasonable expectation for a private funding project. In his report he indicates that he would recommend that a plan of action, or a "blueprint", is needed to move forward to the next phase of the project. Leadership is very important in this type of campaign as well as educating the community about the plan.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes:
 - A. August 22, 2012 Executive Session CA-1A
 - B. August 22, 2012 Regular Business Meeting CA-1B
2. Routine Personnel Actions- Appointments- Classified; Certified; Other; Teacher Leaders, Mentors, Department Heads, Extra Curricular, New Hires, Fall Athletic Coaches; Transfers, Increases, Decreases & Resignations.

Appointments – Classified

Aguirre, Jose, Bus Driver, Transportation, Comp: \$15.63/hr, 30 hrs/wk, 36wks/yr, effective August 27, 2012.
Matussek, Russell, Bus Driver, Transportation, Comp:\$15.63/hr, 30 hrs/wk, 36wks/yr, effective August 27, 2012.
Bowron, Robert, Bus Monitor, Transportation, Comp: \$9.81/hr, 20 hrs/wk, 36wks/yr, effective August 27, 2012.
Sweeney, Emily, Bus Monitor, Transportation, Comp:\$9.81/hr, 20 hrs/wk, 36wks/yr, effective August 27, 2012.
Murray, Diane, Cafeteria Assistant, NPS, Comp:\$10.00/hr, 10 hrs/wk, 36 wks/yr, effective September 12, 2012.

Appointments – Certified

Soltysiak, Richard, .3 Social Worker, NHS, Compensation: Step 10: effective for the 2012-13 school year.
Sullivan, Deborah, .4877 Behavior Specialist, NES, Compensation: Step 10: effective for the 2012-13 school year.
Lapointe, Elizabeth, .4 Math Coach, NPS/NHS, Compensation: Step 10: effective August 27, 2012.
Smith, Jaclyn, 1.0 Guidance, NPS, Compensation: Step 5 plus Masters, effective October 01, 2012.

Appointments – Other

Cooney, Robert, Interim Assistant Principal, NHS, Salary \$400/Day, effective August 27, 2012

Appointments – Mentors -School Year 2012-13:

Cook, MaryAnn	Mentor, NES	Stipend: \$800.00
Glanville, Ann Marie	Mentor, NES	Stipend: \$400.00
Morrissey, Joanne	Mentor, NES	Stipend: \$800.00
Camara, Julie	Mentor, NPS	Stipend: \$400.00
Xavier, Cheryl	Mentor, NPS	Stipend: \$800.00
McDonough, Christine	Mentor, NPS	Stipend: \$800.00
Morgan, Carol	Mentor, NHS	Stipend: \$800.00
Manchette, Andrea	Mentor, NHS	Stipend: \$800.00
Manocchia, Susan	Mentor, District	Stipend: \$800.00

Appointments-Coaches NHS

Goudreau, Michael	Asst Cross Country	Stipend: \$1296.60
Fulford, Cathy	Asst Volleyball Coach	Stipend: \$2385.60
Boni, Guerrino	Volunteer Boys Soccer	N/A

Appointments-Teacher Leaders/Extra Curr. Positions -NPS - School Year 2012-13

McPartlin, Shiela	Grade 6 Teacher Leader	Stipend: \$3000.00
Simeone, Michael	Unified Arts Teacher Leader	Stipend: \$3000.00
Mellors, Carolyn	Chess Coach	Stipend: \$652.00
Miller, Vanessa	Destination Imagination	Stipend: \$652.00
Thompson, Barbara	Ground Hog Shadowing	Stipend: \$652.00
Bryce, Kristen	Student Council Co-Advisor	Stipend: \$489.00
Mouradjian, Joan	Student Council Co-Advisor	Stipend: \$489.00
Calitri, James	Drama Club/Coach	Stipend: \$3912.00
Simeone, Michael	Band Director	Stipend: \$652.00
Boynton, Patricia	Feinstein Advisor	Stipend: \$978.00
Butler, Cheryl	School Newspaper	Stipend: \$652.00

Appointments-Dept Heads/Extra Curricular Positions – NHS - School Year 2011-12

Morgan, Carol	SPED Department Chair	Stipend: \$5000.00
Campbell, Joyce	Color Guard	Stipend: \$326.00
Zabel, Eric	Advisor/Advisee	Stipend: \$1630.00

Transfers – Certified

Goodburn, Jennelle, 1.0 Grade 7/8 Math, NPS, effective August 27, 2012.

Increase – Certified

Hickey, Kristen, .1 Math, NHS, effective August 28, 2012 – November 2, 2012.
Schroeder, Lennon, .15 Foreign Language, NPS, effective August 27, 2012.

Decrease – Certified

Lapointe, Elizabeth, .4 Math, NHS, effective August 27, 2012.

Resignations – Classified

O'Rourke, Edna, Bus Monitor, Transportation, Effective August 15, 2012

3. Reports
A.Enrollment Report CA-3A

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

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Consent Agenda items (CA-1A, CA-1B, CA-2, CA-3A, CA-3B, CA-3C).

D.Pierson/F.White (5/0)

VIII. BUDGET REPORT

Mr. White reported that as of August 31, 2012, \$1,491,415.77 (5.48%) of the FY13 Budget of \$ 27,217,146.00 has been expended. \$23,120,895.64 (84.95%) has been expended and encumbered.

IX. SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Approval of Agreement between the Narragansett School Committee and the Narragansett Educational Association (NEA) from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015.

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Agreement between the Narragansett School Committee and the Narragansett Educational Association (NEA) from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015.

G. deWardener/F. White (5/0)

2. Approval of Internet Safety Policy IV. B. 2. b.-2nd Reading.

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Narragansett School System's Internet Safety Policy IV. B. 2. b.

D.Pierson /F. White (5/0)

X. COMMUNICATIONS

XI. FUTURE MEETINGS/BUSINESS

October 17, 2012 School Committee Business Meeting -7:00 pm Narragansett Town Hall – Assembly Area

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM.

D.Pierson/F.White (5-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White
Clerk