

**NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING HELD November 21, 2012**

The form and content of these minutes conform to commonly accepted standards and shall become the official record of the meeting after review and approval by the School Committee. By definition, minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings.

The regular meeting of the Narragansett School Committee was held on Wednesday, November 21, 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. Guy deWardener & Mr. Keith Ranaldi. Absent: Frank White, Clerk.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE: Ms. Katherine E. Sipala, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Karen Hagan, Director of Finance & Administration; & Mr. David Correira, Director of Transportation.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

G. deWardener / D. Nobles (4/0)

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Election of Officers:

MOTION: to appoint Tammy McNeiece as Chairperson

MOTION: to appoint Diane Nobles as Vice Chairperson

MOTION: to appoint Frank White as Clerk.

Subcommittee Assignments:

Buildings & Grounds Committee - Guy deWardener / Tammy McNeiece

Capital Reserve Committee (2 members) -Guy deWardener /Tammy McNeiece

Knights of the Rockingham Arch - Frank White **TABLED**

Negotiations Subcommittee (2 members) **TABLED**

Parliamentarian- Diane Nobles

Policy Review Subcommittee (2 members) - Keith Ranaldi & Diane Nobles

Recreation Advisory Board - Frank White

RIASC- Diane Nobles

Special Education Advisory Committee- Keith Ranaldi

Wellness Committee – Keith Ranaldi

IV. OPEN FORUM

Resident Kyleen Gilroy –Spoke about implementing an afterschool poetry workshop for NHS students and also supported the Chad O’Brien Surf Group proposal.

Representative Theresa Tanzi presented the Committee with a Legislative Grant for \$1,800.00 to purchase uniforms and equipment for the Indoor/Outdoor track teams.

Todd Meleney of the Chad O'Brien Surf Group spoke about their proposal to donate \$150,000 to name the gymnasium after Chad O'Brien. There was discussion regarding hard wood flooring and floor surfaces which he indicates is negotiable.

V. ORAL REPORTS

1. School Committee Report

Guy deWardener informed the Committee that the NHS JV Football Team had a great season and was undefeated this year.

Mr. Ranaldi mentioned that there are 2 members from NPS Cross Country and RI Elite Team traveling to New Mexico to compete nationally.

2. Superintendent 's Report-

a. District Goals and Priorities

The Superintendent spoke about the school, district and state goals. Discussion ensued regarding closing the gap with a completely different cohort of students. The Superintendent indicated that achievement gaps should be looked at philosophically not pragmatically. Goals are written to be reachable and then applied to school improvement teams. Common Core doesn't have to be fully implemented until 2015 and RTI will continue to be important as we are still a PBIS school system.

b. Waiver request to RIDE & School Calendar 2012-13

The Superintendent informed the Committee that she sent a letter to David Abbott, the Acting Commissioner of Education, requesting a waiver for a non-school day for NES along with a calendar. Seniors need 171 days of instruction. Graduation will not change – it will be June 13th.

c. Summer School Reports

The Superintendent reported that she enclosed Summer School Reports in the packets for NES, NPS and NHS. This year's models resulted in a big savings to the district. Dr. Nobles had questions about attendance at NES summer program.

d. Other

The Superintendent announced that Narragansett High School was honored by College Board for improved achievement in Advanced Placement test results. The AP designation is more evidence that we are not a typical school system

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes:

A. October 17, 2012 Executive Session CA-1A

B. October 17, 2012 Regular Business Meeting CA-1B

2. Routine Personnel Actions- Appointments- Classified; Certified; Other; Extra Curricular, Fall Athletic Coaches; Increases, Resignations & Termination.

Appointments – Coaches NPS

Millen, Michael	Volunteer Head Wrestling Coach	N/A
Iannelli, Joseph	Assistant Volunteer Wrestling Coach	N/A
Millen Jr., Michael	Assistant Volunteer Wrestling Coach	N/A
Bianco, Charlene	Cheerleading Coach	Stipend: \$1,698.30

Lapham, Mark	Girls Basketball Coach	Stipend: \$2602.02
Tessitore, Thomas	Boys Basketball Coach	Stipend: \$2159.00

Appointments – Coaches NHS

Lussier, Christopher	Boys Hockey Coach	Stipend: \$5285.00
Sterling, Steven	JV Boys Hockey Coach	Stipend: \$3171.00
Westcott, Matthew	Volunteer Boys Hockey Coach	N/A
Curran, Edward	Girls Hockey Coach	N/A
McGreen, John	Assistant Girls Hockey Coach	N/A
Kyle, Keith	Assistant Girls Hockey Coach	N/A
Columbo, Anthony	Wrestling Coach	Stipend: \$5285.00
Forte, Mario	JV Wrestling Coach	Stipend: \$3171.00
Millen, Michael	Volunteer Wrestling Coach	N/A TABLED
Koehler, Vera	Swim Coach	Stipend: \$4543.00
Koehler, Kevin	Volunteer Swim Coach	N/A
McNeiece, Brian	Indoor Track Coach	Stipend: \$3783.00
Ranaldi, Keith	Assistant Indoor Track Coach	N/A
Razza, Kristen	Competitive Cheerleading Coach	Stipend: \$3350.00
Mahoney, Kathryn	Girls Basketball Coach	Stipend: \$5285.00
Sayles, Jennifer	JV Girls Basketball Coach	Stipend: \$3000.60
Mahoney, John	Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach	N/A
Gee, David	Boys Basketball Coach	Stipend: \$5285.00
Berardi, Joseph	Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	N/A
O'Brien, Patrick	Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	N/A

Increase – Certified

Fontaine, Gloria, .10 OT, NES, effective November 8, 2012, Compensation: Step 10 Plus Masters: effective for the 2012-13 school year.

Wallace, Donna, .10 PT, District, effective November 8, 2012, Compensation: Step 10: effective for the 2012-13 school year.

Appointments - Extra Curr. Positions - NHS - School Year 2012-13

Soltysiak, Nicholas	Academic Hours - Math	Stipend: \$39.00/hr
Joubert, Matthew	Academic Hours – Social Studies	Stipend: \$39.00/hr
Couchon, Kathleen	Academic Hours - Science	Stipend: \$39.00/hr
Davia, Amanda	Academic Hours – English	Stipend: \$39.00/hr
Hughes, Brian	Academic Hours – Resource	Stipend: \$39.00/hr
Hayes, Kristen	Mock Trial Advisor	Stipend: \$978.00

Appointments – Classified

Moore, Christine, Teacher Asst., NES, Compensation: \$15.63/hr, 12 hrs/wk, temporarily, effective November 14, 2012.

Increase – Classified

Levesque, Michelle, Teacher Asst., NES, 9.25 hrs/wk temporarily, effective November 14, 2012.

Brodeur, Christine, Teacher Asst, NES, 9.0 hrs/wk, temporarily, effective November 14, 2012.

Termination – Classified

Kobylenski, Lisa, Teacher Assistant, NHS, Effective November 26, 2012.

Resignation – Classified

Parkinson, Nancy, Teacher Assistant, NES, Effective November 13, 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), tabling the appointment for the Volunteer Wrestling Coach for the December meeting.

D. Nobles/ G. deWardener / (4/0)

VII. BUDGET REPORT

Karen Hagan reported that as of October 31, 2012, \$6,142,489.33 (22.57%) of the FY13 Budget of \$27,217,146.00 has been expended. \$24,034,378.72 (88.31%) has been expended and encumbered.

VIII. SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Todd Meleney, of O'B Surf group, made a request to withdraw his proposal to name the NHS gymnasium as originally submitted. He would like to meet with the Superintendent and others to discuss changing some of the terms of his proposal.
2. Approval of the Recreational Trails Grant application to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Management

MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Recreational Trails Grant application to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Management.

K. Ranaldi/ D. Nobles (4/0)

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

X. FUTURE MEETINGS/BUSINESS

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| December 17, 2012 | Joint School Committee/ Town Council Budget Meeting 6:30PM |
| December 19, 2012 | School Committee Business Meeting -7:00 pm
Narragansett Town Hall- Assembly Area |

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM.

D. Nobles/ G. deWardener (4/0)

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White
Clerk