

**NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE SECOND BUDGET HEARING HELD March 6, 2013.**

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The second budget hearing of the Narragansett School Committee was held on Wednesday, March 6, 2013, at the Narragansett Town Hall – Assembly Area, 25 Fifth Avenue, Narragansett, Rhode Island.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE: Ms. Tammy McNeiece, Chairperson; Ms. Diane Nobles, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Frank White, Clerk; Mr. Guy deWardener; and Mr. Keith Ranaldi (all present).

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Peter Scalora, Chair, Buildings & Grounds Committee.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

FISCAL 2014 BUDGET: Ms. Sipala & Ms. McNeiece opened up discussion.

Mr. Minett began the meeting with information regarding the renovation of the NHS gymnasium. He answered questions for the Committee about the floor surfaces that have been researched. Ms. Jenna Lee Lopes and Mr. Sean Capezzo had questions and expressed their desire to be more involved in the process of the renovation. Mr. Minett also spoke about the renovation of the greenhouse. Mr. Breene also requested to be included in the decision making process as the plan progresses.

Mr. Correira explained his need for a mini bus in his budget and answered question for the Committee about mileage and usage.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND QUESTION: Ms. Sipala answered questions from School Committee members throughout the meeting, enlisting the assistance of Mr. Minett and Mr. Correira as appropriate to the discussion. The Committee had some questions for Mr. Minett and Mr. Scalora regarding the flooring proposals and comparisons of the poured, hardwood, and mondo flooring.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were some parents, students, and representation from Friends of Narragansett Theater, who came to the meeting in support of Jimmy Calitri and the Theater program.

Todd Meleney, representing O'B Surf Group, spoke to the Committee about their proposed donation and preference of flooring at NHS.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White, Clerk