

NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD, March 16, 2016

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 March 16, 2016, at the Narragansett Town Hall, Assembly Area, 25 Fifth Avenue, Narragansett, Rhode Island.

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

OTHER SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE: Ms. Katherine E. Sipala, Superintendent; Ms. Karen Hagan, Director of Finance and Administration; Ms. Marianne Kirby, Principal, NPS; Mr. Dick Fossa, Athletic Director, NHS; Mr. Mike Millen, Athletic Director, NPS and Mr. Steve Gormley, Director of Operations.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

OPEN FORUM: Residents Nancy DiNuccio, Chris Catanzaro, Phil Capaldi and Sharon McGreen all spoke in support of the schools system and the budget that is being voted on and proposed to the Town Council.

SHOWCASE:

Both the Pier and High School Boys Basketball Teams were presented with Proclamations from the Narragansett Town Council.

Ms. Marianne Kirby, Principal of NPS, congratulated the NPS Boys Basketball team and introduced Mr. Mike Millen, NPS Athletic Director who also congratulated and introduced the NPS Boys Coach Tom Tessitore. The boys honored were: Ethan Betts, Logan Carty, Colby Corson, Maxwell Fiore, Miles Fiore, Kevin Kanaczet, Aiden Kielty, Lee Lamson, Michael Levesque, Adam Lurgio, Aiden Moran, Jack Sullivan, Luke Waranis, and Jayme Xaykosy.

Ms. Kirby and Mr. Millen recognized the NPS Cheerleaders who were the RI Small Division State Champions. Coach Ms. Melissa DiCicco introduced the team: Gabrielle Adamo, Brooke Minty, Marlee Gelinias, Juhree Casey, Calla Reardon, Nyasia Price, Kelsey Caswell, Lillian Duquette, Ella Robinson, Reagan Dunne, Ava Orabona, Kallie Urbach, Paige DeSantis, Emma Landy, Kiara Fasching, Rebecca Marabian, Hannah Rotondo, and Claudia Highcove

Mr. Dick Fossa, Athletic Director, acknowledged several NHS Athletes. In Girls Cross Country, Mr. Fossa recognized Marissa McPhillips, 1st Team All State and she qualified for the New England Championship. For Boys Indoor Track and Field, Mike Silvestri was recognized for All-Class and 1st Team All-Division 55 Meters and he also qualified for the New Englands. In the sport of wrestling Mr. Fossa recognized Cole McGill who was 3rd in the State in his weight class and qualified for the New England Championship.

Swimmers recognized included: Michaela Degnan, 1st Team All-State in the 100 Fly & 100 Backstroke; also 2nd Team All-State 200 Medley Relay including Michaela Degnan, Christina McPhillips, Marissa McPhillips, & Lucy Tao.

Mr. Fossa introduced Head Coach Kyle Bodington of the NHS Boys Basketball team who thanked the other coaches and parents and then introduced the team Captain Austin McKanna who acknowledged the team: Jack Clancey, Will Doyle, JJ Palmer, Kyle Pereira, Jack Lurgio, Jordan Monroe, Matt Ryan, London Sudduth, Thomaz Whitford, Colin Cameron and Jordan Riendeau.

ORAL REPORTS:

School Committee Reports:

Mr. White reported that the recent Narragansett Recreation Advisory Board meeting was held on Monday evening. At the meeting, the Board discussed beach sustainability and had expert Dennis Lynch speak about the different aspects of beach erosion, the sea wall, and the road heights/ levels.

Mr. deWardener informed the Committee about the recent Technology Committee meeting at which they previewed the new District webpage that is currently being worked on.

Mr. Ranaldi spoke about the Narragansett Education Foundation and invited resident and Board President Phil Capaldi to speak about the NEF (Narragansett Education Foundation) and funding efforts to support the Narragansett School System.

Superintendent’s Report:

Ms. Sipala informed the Committee that she is working together with the Town on a Trolley proposal which will allow a private company to offer trolley service using the school parking lots for parking.

Ms. Sipala explained to the Committee that letters went out to parents regarding the 2016 PARCC state assessments indicating that this is the way we will determine whether students are making progress on our statewide, grade-level learning expectations. Federal law requires annual statewide assessments, and holds schools and districts accountable for attaining at least 95 percent student participation. The results provide schools with important data about student achievement and assist us in providing targeted, personalized instruction for our students. Testing begins on March 28th in our schools.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes:

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| A. February 10, 2016 | Regular Business Meeting |
| B. February 24, 2016 | First Budget Workshop |
| C. March 2, 2016 | Executive Session |
| D. March 2, 2016 | Second Budget Workshop |
| E. March 9, 2016 | Third Budget Workshop |

2. Routine Personnel Actions:

Resignation – Certified

Good, Stephanie, .3 Math, NPS, effective June 20, 2016.

Appointments – Classified

O’Hayer, Virginia, Cafeteria Asst., NPS, Compensation: \$10.00/hr, 10 hrs/wk, 36 wks/yr, effective 2/14/16.

Appointments – Coaches NHS

Wyrostek, David	JV Girls Lacrosse	Stipend: \$1,930.54
Gorman, Gary	Varsity Tennis Coach	Stipend: \$3,120.30
Hummel, Abby	Unified Basketball	N/A
Cagnon, Krystal	Unified Basketball	N/A
Stroup, Paul	Volunteer Golf Coach	N/A

3. Reports:

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

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. White, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Consent Agenda items CA-1A, CA-1B, CA-1C, CA-1D, CA-1E, CA-2, CA-3A, CA-3B, CA-3C.

Motion Passes: 5/0

BUDGET REPORT Mr. White reported that as of February 29, 2016, \$17,233,404.17 (58.23%) of the FY16 Budget of \$29,596,917.00 has been expended, and \$27,423,833.23 (92.66%) has been expended and encumbered. Mr. White once again asked Ms. Hagan to squirrel away some of the unexpended funds.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Approval of FY 2017 Budget

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Ranaldi, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, and the Director of Finance and Administration, to approve the FY 2017 Narragansett School Budget in the amount of \$29,609,490.

Motion Passes: 5/0

2. Approval of School Committee Meeting Schedule for the 2016-17 SY

MOTION: moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Nobles, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the FY 2017 Narragansett School Committee Meeting Schedule for the 2016-17 school year.

Motion Passes: 5/0

3. Approval of the purchase of three (3) school buses from DATTCO Sales & Service

MOTION: moved by Mr. Ranaldi, seconded by Mr. deWardener, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Director of Finance & Administration, to approve the purchase of three (3) school buses from DATTCO Sales & Service in the amount of \$237,885.00.

Motion Passes: 5/0

4. Approval of FFA National Convention Trip in October 2016

MOTION: moved by Dr. Nobles, seconded by Mr. Ranaldi, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Narragansett High School FFA National Convention Field Trip to take place October 2016.

Motion Passes: 5/0

5. Resolution Relating to Election Day School Closings

MOTION: moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. deWardener, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Resolution Relating to Election Day School Closings. **Motion Passes: 5/0**

Discussion: Ms. Sipala indicated that the Town Clerk sent a correspondence to her opposing this Resolution. Ms. Sipala wanted the Committee to know that she has a good working relationship with the Ms. Irons and that this legislation is a choice about school closing and if it were to pass, we would certainly enter into a conversation with the Town Clerk.

6. First Reading – Policy V.A.7.b. Procedures Governing Naloxone Administration

MOTION: moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Nobles, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the First Reading of Policy V.A.7.b. Procedures Governing Naloxone Administration.

Motion Passes: 5/0

7. Approval of the purchase of a Cleartouch Interactive panel from Ockers Company

MOTION: moved by Mr. deWardener, seconded by Mr. White, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Director of Finance and Administration, to approve the purchase of a Cleartouch Interactive panel with a convertible mobile stand from Ockers Company in the amount of \$8,515.00.

Motion Passes: 5/0

FUTURE MEETINGS/BUSINESS

March 28, 2016	7:30PM	Public Hearing -School Budget, Narragansett Town Hall
April 11, 2016	6:30 PM	Town Council/School Committee Workshop, Narragansett Town Hall
April 13, 2016	7:00 PM	Regular Business Meeting, Narragansett Town Hall, Assembly Area

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Nobles, to adjourn at 8:58 PM. **Motion Passes: 5/0**

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White, Clerk

