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Norton, Massachusetts

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NORTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING

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Date of School Committee Meeting: Monday, May 8, 2017

Location: Norton High School Teachers' Lunch Room

Present: Committee Members: Chairman Deniz Savas, Vice-Chairman Dan Sheedy, Mrs. Sheri Cohen, Mrs. Kathleen Stern, Mrs. Carolyn Gallagher. ***Also present:*** Superintendent of Schools Joseph F. Baeta, Director of Pupil Personnel Services Jeanne Sullivan, School Business Manager Lincoln Lynch.

Call to Order: Chairman Savas called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes:

Amendment to Minutes: The meeting of April 24th was called to order by Mr. Sheedy.

MOTION: by Mrs. Cohen to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2017 open meeting as amended

SECOND: by Mrs. Stern

VOTE: 3 yes 2 abstain Motion Carries

Warrant Information:

Mrs. Cohen reported that she had reviewed and approved the warrant of April 24, 2017, in the amount of \$614,202.52, to be entered into the public record.

Discussion of Kindergarten School Choice:

Dr. Baeta reviewed the school choice enrollment figures. He proposed to adjust the full-day Kindergarten spots because 5 spots are already taken and there are 3 students on the wait list with siblings in other grades. The Committee discussed expanding the number of seats in Grades 1-10. No Norton resident is being denied access to Kindergarten.

MOTION: by Mrs. Cohen to increase the school choice spots (Full-day K-Grade 10) to 15

SECOND: by Mrs. Stern

VOTE: 5 yes Motion Carries

FY '18 Budget Discussion:

Dr. Baeta stated that the recommended budget, as printed, will go before Town Meeting.

Other:

Dr. Baeta informed the Committee that he was just notified by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) that Norton was moved to the accelerated program for window and door replacements at the three elementary schools, HAY, JCS and LGN.

Mrs. Stern discussed a karate/Paw Sox fundraiser.

Dr. Baeta discussed a scheduled meeting with all the booster organizations to clarify issues and establish rules.

Motion to Adjourn:

MOTION: by Mrs. Cohen

SECOND: by Mrs. Stern

VOTE: 5 yes Motion Carries

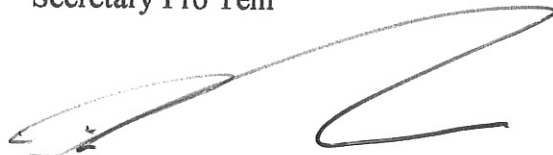
The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Documents and Other Exhibits Used at Meeting:

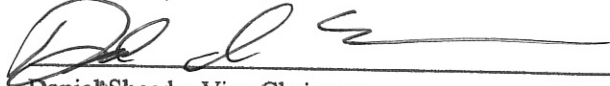
- School Choice enrollment figures

Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 at Norton Middle School

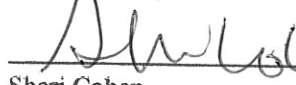
Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph F. Baeta, Ed.D.
Secretary Pro Tem



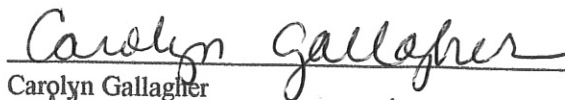
Deniz Savas, Chairman



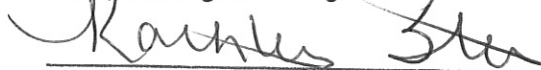
Daniel Sheedy, Vice-Chairman



Sheri Cohen



Carolyn Gallagher



Kathleen Stern