

NORTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Norton, Massachusetts

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NORTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING

Date of School Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2022

Location: Norton Middle School Library and Remote Participation

Present: Committee Members: Chairperson Mr. Dan Sheedy, Mrs. Carolyn Gallagher, Mr. Deniz Savas, Mr. Nick Schleicher ***Also present:*** Superintendent of Schools Joseph F. Baeta, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Jennifer O'Neill, School Business Manager Matthew Wells, Vincent Cerce Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Technology Director Karen Winsper and Student Representatives Malia Savas and Antonio Romano ***Present remotely:*** Mrs. Sheri Cohen.

Call to Order: Chairperson Sheedy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that the meeting was being video recorded and asked that if anybody else is recording to please let the Committee know.

Pledge of Allegiance

Vote to Approve Minutes of May 26, 2022 Open Session Meeting:

MOTION: by Mr. Savas to Approve Minutes of May 26, 2022 Open Session Meeting

SECOND: by Mrs. Gallagher

VOTE: 4-0-1 motion carries

Warrants Information:

Mr. Sheedy reported that the following School Expense Warrants and School Payroll Warrants were reviewed and approved and are to be entered into public record:

School Expense Warrants:

- June 2, 2022 \$ 394,145.58

School Payroll Warrants:

- June 2, 2022 \$1,244,879.42

Student Representative Updates:

Antonio Romano was introduced to the Committee as the new Student Representative. Malia Savas updated the Committee about field trips, 8th grade trip to NHS, and the upcoming Middle School performances of "Legally Blonde."

Pre-Apprenticeship Program:

Mrs. Jennifer Proulx and students presented on the Laborers' Apprenticeship Program that 15 students attended for a week. They explained the requirements for the program, the schedule of events, and benefits offered from this program. Comments were made by some of the students who attended.

The Committee thanked Mrs. Proulx for bringing this program to Norton and expressed that they are looking forward to the continuance of the program.

Vote to Appoint School Committee Member to Capital Improvement Committee:

MOTION: by Mr. Savas to appoint Mrs. Sheri Cohen as representative on the Capital Improvement Committee

SECOND: by Mrs. Gallagher

VOTE: 5-0 motion carries

Discussion and Vote on Transition Specialist / Special Education Teacher and Paraprofessional / Job Coach Job Description:

Mr. Vincent Cerce and Cassandra Russo discussed the need to reorganize staff to accommodate students in our specialized programs. They reviewed the duties for the new job description.

MOTION: by Mr. Savas to approve Transition Specialist / Special Education Teacher and Paraprofessional / Job Coach Job Description as presented

SECOND: by Mrs. Gallagher

VOTE: 5-0 motion carries

Vote to Approve FY'23 Budget:

Dr. Baeta presented the Committee with an FY'23 Budget of \$32,915,996.00 as voted at Town Meeting on June 7th.

MOTION: by Mrs. Gallagher to approve FY'23 Budget

SECOND: by Mr. Savas

VOTE: 5-0 motion carries

Vote on FY'22 Summer Transfers:

Mr. Wells addressed the Committee to approve end of year transfers to close and balance out FY'22 in accordance with the Town Accountant.

MOTION: by Mrs. Gallagher to approve FY'22 End of Year Transfers

SECOND: by Mr. Savas

VOTE: 5-0 motion carries

Superintendent's Evaluation Discussion and Vote:

Mr. Sheedy reviewed the Superintendent's two-year evaluation as compiled from members of the Committee.

MOTION: by Mr. Savas to approve Superintendent's Evaluation

SECOND: by Mrs. Gallagher

VOTE: 4-0-1 motion carries

Other Business:

Dr. Baeta advised the Committee he will be sending out information regarding early release days for the end of the year.

Dr. Baeta thanked Mr. Matthew Wells for his service to Norton and wished him well at his new position.

Dr. Baeta thanked all of NPS staff on a great job this year.

Mr. Schleicher updated the Committee on the recent Town Permanent Building Committee meeting.

Mr. Schleicher addressed the Committee regarding lawn signs on school property. There is no policy in effect and he presented a policy and motioned to put the policy in effect as July 1st. The Committee discussed and tabled the motion to a later date.

Mr. Sheedy addressed the audience allowing for public comment. He reviewed the guidelines for participation.

The following individuals participated:

James Thomasson, 10 James Street

Charles Gallagher, 201 Bay Road

Kelly Gallagher, 201 Bay Road

Shannon Taylor, President of the Norton Teachers Association

Amy Weber, member of the Norton Teachers Association

Motion to Adjourn

MOTION: by Mr. Savas to adjourn

SECOND: by Mrs. Gallagher

VOTE: 5-0 motion carries

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022 at LGN Library at 6:00 p.m.

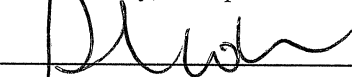
Documents and Other Exhibits Used at Meeting:

- Transition Specialist / Special Education Teacher and Paraprofessional / Job Coach Job Description
- Memorandum regarding End of Year Transfers


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



Daniel Sheedy, Chairperson



Sheri Cohen, Vice-Chairperson



Carolyn Gallagher



Deniz Savas



Nick Schreicher

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