



# NASHOBA Regional School Committee

## Meeting Agenda

October 6, 2021

6:00 PM

### Remote Meeting via Zoom Technology

The Nashoba Regional School Committee adheres to Open Meeting Law (OML) Regulations, which have been altered. Here is a link to that order: <https://malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2021/Chapter20>

In response to concerns about the potential for privacy and safety violations embedded in Zoom, the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) has shared preliminary guidance for conducting meetings and online learning. Recommendations include sending the link only to those participating in the meeting (committee members, superintendent, presenters) and requiring a password. Other recommendations include having the local cable channel livestream or otherwise broadcast the meeting to make it accessible to the public, and either taking public comments off the agenda or asking that comments be emailed to the Chair who can read them at the meeting.

While public comment is not a requirement of the Open Meeting Law, our school committee wants to continue to include it as part of our agenda. Our protocol for Citizens' Comments was recently updated. It is as follows: *Any individual interested in speaking to an issue which is on the agenda or within the School Committee's authority during the Public Comment portion of a School Committee meeting held over Zoom shall sign up to speak by emailing [nrsc@nrsc.net](mailto:nrsc@nrsc.net) at least 1 hour before the meeting, with a subject line "PUBLIC COMMENT FOR (DATE) MEETING". The chairperson will respond to the participant with the zoom link prior to the start of the meeting, and copy the Zoom host via email. The Zoom host will then allow the individual to join the meeting during the Public Comment segment of the meeting, which is usually the first 15 minutes. The individual shall display their full name and town of residence on screen when they join the Zoom meeting. Individuals will be called upon to speak in the order in which their requests were received. Each individual's comment shall be in accordance with [Policy BEDH](#) After the comment is read, the individual will be asked to leave the Zoom meeting. If the individual does not leave, the Zoom host will remove the participant.*

To view the meeting in real time, click this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXslwZQv61Q>

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| I. Call to order of Regular Meeting and Pledge of Allegiance                        | 6:00 PM  |
| II. Citizens' Comments  | 6:05 PM  |
| III. Superintendent Update (IO)   | 6:15 PM  |
| IV. New Business  | 6:30 PM  |
| a) Composition and voting authority of School Building Committee (IO)               | 5 mins.  |
| b) School Committee Protocols (IO)  | 15 mins  |
| V. Unfinished Business  | 6:50 PM  |
| a) Finalize School Committee Goals (AR)   | 20 mins. |
| b) Regional Agreement Update and estimated legal costs (IO)                         | 10 mins. |
| c) Creation of a Regional Agreement Amendment Subcommittee (AR)                     | 5 mins.  |
| d) Request for Volunteers to the Regional Agreement Amendment SC (if approved) (IO) | 10 mins. |
| e) Reconsideration of time of School Committee Meetings (AR)                        | 5 mins   |
| VI. Consent Agenda (AR)   | 7:40 PM  |
| a. Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2021  |          |
| b. Warrants of October 8, 2021  |          |

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| VII. Sub Committee Reports (IO)   | 7:45 PM                    |
| a. Budget and Warrant Report      | Mr. Rubinstein will report |
| b. Personnel Report               | Ms. Vivirito will report   |
| c. Policy Report                  | Ms. Devine will report     |
| d. Communication                  | Ms. Cohen will report      |
| e. NRHS School Building Committee | Mr. Gleason will report    |
| f. Audit Advisory                 | No Report                  |
| VIII. Items for Next Agenda (AR)  | 7:55PM                     |
| IX. Adjourn                       | 8:00 PM                    |

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