

**MEETING MINUTES of the  
NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

**MEETING DATE, TIME and PLACE**

May 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Emerson School Building School Committee Conference Room  
50 Mechanic Street, Bolton, MA 01740

**Note:** Due to mandated social distancing guidelines currently in effect this meeting was not open for public attendance.

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

PRESENT: Leah Vivirito, Michael Horesh, Amy Cohen, Dr. Mary McCarthy, Stephen Rubinstein, Karen Devine, Sharon Poch, Brett Collins, Rick Eckel, Joseph Gleason  
ABSENT: Shawn Winsor

**NON-MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

Dorothy Presser, Massachusetts Association of School Committees field representative and consultant.

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

At 7:02 p.m. Chairperson Vivirito called the meeting to order and led the District Committee and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INTERVIEW OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS CANDIDATE JEREMY ROCHE:**

At 7:04 p.m. Jeremy Roche, Principal of Fitchburg High School, Fitchburg, MA was introduced to the District Committee in advance of his interview for the position superintendent of schools for the Nashoba Regional District Committee and invited by Chairperson Vivirito to give an opening statement.

At 7:05 p.m. Candidate Jeremy Roche provided an opening statement.

At 7:10 p.m. the interview process commenced with members of the District Committee posing a series of prepared questions to candidate Jeremy Roche.

At 8:38 p.m. the prepared question period ended and candidate Jeremy Roche was invited by Chairperson Vivirito to provide a closing statement.

At 8:40 p.m. candidate Jeremy Roche completed his closing statement and the interview was terminated.

**OVERVIEW OF SELECTION PROCESS:**

At 8:41 p.m. Chairperson Vivirito recognized Dorothy Presser of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees to provide to the District Committee an overview of the selection process scheduled for May 27, 2021.

Dorothy Presser spoke to the criteria that should be considered in regards to the District Committee's selection. Ms. Presser emphasized that the District Committee should look to the particular skill sets presented by each candidate, whether the candidate is someone committed to a long term relationship with the Nashoba Regional School District, and the leadership qualities presented by each candidate.

Ms. Presser counseled the District Committee to look closely at the themes that emerged from the prepared questions and weigh each candidate's strengths in regards to such common themes as communications and budget. Ms. Presser further emphasized that each member review each candidate's application packet, review information in regards to on-site visits, and to assess the results of the feedback survey.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 9:15 p.m. there being no further business before the District Committee Chairperson Vivirito requested a motion for adjournment.

MOTION: Motion to adjourn made by Rich Eckel (seconded by Sharon Poch)  
In favor: Leah Vivirito, Michael Horesh, Amy Cohen, Dr. Mary  
McCarthy, Stephen Rubinstein, Karen Devine, Sharon Poch,  
Brett Collins, Rick Eckel, Joseph Gleason  
Opposed: None  
MOTION PASSES: 10-0

Respectfully submitted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

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Recording Secretary

Approved by NRSC 6-2-21