

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

MEETING DATE and TIME

June 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting held remotely via the Zoom video-conferencing platform in accordance with Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 (enacted June 21, 2021) extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the State of Emergency including the remote meeting provision of Executive Order of March 12, 2020 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law (Gen. Laws c.30A, sections 18-25).

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Leah Vivirito, Michael Horesh Karen Devine, Rich Eckel, Stephen Rubinstein, Dr. Mary McCarthy Amy Cohen, Shawn Winsor, and Joseph Gleason

ABSENT: Brett Collins, Sharon Poch

NON-MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Superintendent-Elect Kirk Downing, Dr. Todd Maguire, Assistant Superintendent, Nashoba Regional School District.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

At 6:01 p.m. Chairperson Vivirito called the meeting to order and led the District Committee and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS' COMMENT(S)/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

6:02 p.m. None.

NEW BUSINESS – RATIFICATION OF SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT:

6:02 p.m. Chairperson Vivirito opened the floor to a discussion on the matter of the proposed contract for the Superintendent-Elect, Kirk Downing.

Joseph Gleason inquired in regards to the difference in the contract terms relative to the vacation and holiday buy-back provision and the calculation of accumulated vacation.

Chairperson Vivirito explained that the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents recommends vacation buy-backs should be calculated on the basis of two hundred twenty (220) days as opposed two hundred sixty days (260) as the recommended as the buy-back figure backs out vacation and holidays in the calculation.

6:09 Chairperson Vivirito closed deliberation and requested a motion on acceptance of the proposed three (3) year contract with Kirk Downing for superintendent services.

MOTION: Rich Eckel moved (seconded by Amy Cohen) to accept and approve a three (3) contract for superintendent services with Superintendent-Elect Kirk Downing.

In favor:

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| Leah Vivirito | YES |
| Joseph Gleason | YES |
| Karen Devine | YES |
| Michael Horesh | YES |
| Amy Cohen | YES |
| Rich Eckel | YES |
| Shawn Winsor | YES |
| Dr. Mary McCarthy | YES |
| Stephen Rubinstein | YES |

Opposed: None.

MOTION PASSES 9-0 (to accept and ratify three (3) year service agreement with Kirk Downing for superintendent services).

Chairperson Vivirito provided Superintendent Downing an opportunity to speak on his new position as superintendent of schools for the Nashoba Regional School District.

Stephen Rubinstein requested that at our next regular scheduled meeting in September that the matter of the school resource officer should be discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

6:15 p.m. MOTION: Motion was made by Chairperson Leah Vivirito (Seconded by Stephen Rubinstein) to enter into executive session pursuant to Gen. Laws. c. 30A, section 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements, to wit: Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act 20 U.S.C. 1232g and that the District Committee would adjourn in executive session.

In favor:

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| Leah Vivirito | YES |
| Joseph Gleason | YES |
| Amy Cohen | YES |
| Dr. Mary McCarthy | YES |
| Karen Devine | YES |
| Michael Horesh | YES |
| Stephen Rubinstein | YES |
| Shawn Winsor | YES |
| Rich Eckel | YES |

Opposed: None.

MOTION PASSES 9-0

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of September, 2021.

Joseph M. Gleason

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Recording Secretary