

**NASHOBA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Remote meeting via Zoom Technology

This meeting was held remotely, 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>

September 8, 2021

SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE: Joseph Gleason, Leah Vivirito, Karen Devine, Dr. Mary McCarthy, Rich Eckel, Amy Cohen, Sharon Poch, Brett Collins, Shawn Winsor (joined meeting at 6:25 pm) and Mike Horesh

ABSENT: Stephen Rubinstein

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Downing and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maguire

6:00 PM CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairperson Vivirito called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

6:02 PM SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON UPDATE

Chairperson Vivirito advised there has been no movement on the revision of the Regional Agreement and will be on the agenda for the September 22, 2021 School Committee Meeting.

6:04 PM SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Downing and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maguire provided district updates; the report can be viewed in its entirety [here](#).

Lesa Gulbicki provided an update on Covid Safety Checks (pool testing) and next steps. Ms. Gulbicki advised the district is waiting for the state to assign the district a project manager.

Superintendent Downing reviewed Superintendent’s Entry Plan outline.

6:44 PM NEW BUSINESS

Revote of the 21-22 SY Calendar to include NRHS Late Starts

Dr. Boynton advised she is requesting late starts at NRHS be added to the 21-22 SY calendar.

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the revised 21-22 SY District calendar to include late starts at NRHS on 9/27/21, 10/18/21, 11/15/21, 1/10/22, 3/7/22 and 5/2/22 ; seconded by Rich Eckel

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes

Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (10-0-0)

Tania Rich, Director of Athletics NIAAA State Award of Merit

Dr. Boynton, Principal of NRHS announced that Ms. Tania Rich, Director of Athletics, received the 2021 NIAAA State Award. Ms. Rich thanked the district and School Committee for their support.

District Physician 21-22 SY Contract

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to authorize the Superintendent to sign the 2021-2022 SY Physician’s Contract between the district and Dr. Russell Coleman. Dr. Coleman will receive a \$2000 stipend under the terms of the contract; seconded by Rich Eckel

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	No
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (9-1-0)

MASC Conference / November 3rd SC Meeting Discussion

Chairperson Vivirito asked the committee their thoughts on rescheduling the November 3rd School Committee Meeting as some members and Dr. Maguire will be attending the MASC Conference. The School Committee decided to have the regularly scheduled meeting, as there will be a quorum.

7:00 PM UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Finalize School Committee Goals

Chairperson Vivirito advised the School Committee started working on their goals at the summer retreat. Chairperson Vivirito shared her screen with the goals working document and the committee continued their brainstorming.

7:33 PM CONSENT AGENDA

Topics on consent agenda include:

Warrants of September 10, 2021

<u>WARRANT NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4187	09/10/21	VENDOR FY22	\$ 178,210.77
4189	09/10/21	AP ACH FY 22	\$ 82,782.58
4190	09/10/21	BENEFIT FY22	\$ 92,852.43
4191	09/10/21	PAYROLL FY22	\$1,424,935.03

- Draft Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2021
- Draft Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2021
- Draft Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2021
- Draft Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2021
- Draft Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2021
- Draft Workshop Minutes of August 25, 2021
- Draft Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2021

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the September 8, 2021 consent agenda containing the meeting minutes of 6/2/21, 6/10/21, 6/21/21, 7/19/21, 8/17/21, 8/25/21 and 8/26/21 and the warrants of September 10, 2021; seconded by Rich Eckel

Dr. McCarthy advised she would like the minutes in the consent agenda voted separately to give those who were not present at certain meetings the chance to abstain.

Mr. Horesh withdrew is motion.

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 2, 2021; seconded by Amy Cohen

Roll Call:

- Joseph Gleason Yes
- Leah Vivirito Yes
- Karen Devine Yes
- Dr. Mary McCarthy Yes
- Mike Horesh Yes
- Rich Eckel Yes
- Amy Cohen Yes
- Sharon Poch Yes
- Brett Collins Yes
- Shawn Winsor Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (10-0-0)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 10, 2021; seconded by Sharon Poch

Roll Call:

- Joseph Gleason Yes

Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Abstained
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Abstained
Shawn Winsor	Abstained

VOTED AND PASSED. (7-0-3)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of June 21, 2021; seconded by Sharon Poch

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Abstained
Brett Collins	Abstained
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (8-0-2)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of July 19, 2021; seconded by Sharon Poch

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Abstained
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Abstained

VOTED AND PASSED. (8-0-2)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of August 17, 2021; seconded by Sharon Poch

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Abstained
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes

Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (9-0-1)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the workshop minutes of August 25, 2021; seconded by Amy Cohen

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Abstained
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (9-0-1)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the meeting minutes of August 26, 2021; seconded by Leah Vivirito

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Abstained
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (9-0-1)

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to approve the warrants of September 10, 2021; seconded by Leah Vivirito

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (10-0-0)

7:45 PM ITEMS FOR NEXT/FUTURE AGENDAS

- Clarification / Update on Regional Agreement Revision
- NRHS Resource Officer
- Budget Analysis for NRHS Mascot Change
- Domestic/Global Student Travel
- Student Representative to the School Committee Update
- Time of School Committee Meetings
- Student representative to the School Committee

7:51 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Mass. General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares regarding the matter of Maria del Rosario vs. NRSD Regional School District et al. (Docket No. 1885CV01899); School Committee will adjourn in Executive Session

MOTION

Mike Horesh moved to go into Executive Session at 7:51 pm pursuant to Mass. General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares regarding the matter of Maria del Rosario vs. NRSD Regional School District et al. (Docket No. 1885CV01899); Executive Session will include Superintendent Downing, Director of Pupil Personnel Service, Joan DeAngelis and district legal counsel Attorney Kevin Freytag. School Committee will adjourn in Executive Session; seconded by Sharon Poch

Roll Call:

Joseph Gleason	Yes
Leah Vivirito	Yes
Karen Devine	Yes
Dr. Mary McCarthy	Yes
Mike Horesh	Yes
Rich Eckel	Yes
Amy Cohen	Yes
Sharon Poch	Yes
Brett Collins	Yes
Shawn Winsor	Yes

VOTED AND PASSED. (10-0-0)

Reference Documents and Presentations

Agenda
Superintendent's Report
Superintendent's Entry Plan Outline
NRHS Calendar Revision Request
21-22 SY Calendar
Tania Rich Award Announcement
District Physician 21-22 SY Contract
Draft Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2021
Draft Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2021
Draft Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2021
Draft Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2021
Draft Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2021

NRSD School Committee Meeting Minutes, September 8, 2021
Draft Meeting Workshop Minutes of August 25, 2021
Draft Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2021

Approved by NRSC 9/22/21
Submitted by Aleta Masterson

Aleta S. Masterson

Executive Assistant to the
Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent