

North Hampton School District

**School Board Meeting Minutes
North Hampton School – Music Room
201 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton
Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
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School Board members present: James Sununu; Chair, Cindy Burke; Vice-Chair; Tamara Le, Thomas von Jess, and Gregg Duffy.

Administration present: Dr. Robert Sullivan: Superintendent, Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator, Dr. Erik Anderson; Principal, and Tracy Griffenhagen; Assistant Principal/Director of Special Services.

Absent: Dr. Ronna Cadarette; Assistant Superintendent.

At 7:00 p.m., James Sununu called the School Board meeting to **order**.

James Sununu called for a Moment of Silence in view of the tragic events that happened in Florida.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Cindy Burke moved to approve the January 18, 2018 Public minutes as amended.
Second: Thomas von Jess. Motion passed 4-0-1. (Abstained: Gregg Duffy).

Amendments included: 6. Continuing Business a. to proceed with the Facebook procedures as written, and for 3. Correspondence/Commendation – Second Bullet; change Thomas von Jess to Cindy Burke, Tamara Le, and Matt Ferreira.

Motion: Tamara Le moved to approve the February 6, 2018 Public minutes as written.
Second: Thomas von Jess. Motion passed 4-0-1. (Abstained Cindy Burke).

3. Correspondence/Commendations

Commendations and a gift was presented to Tamara Le to show appreciation for her six years of service to the North Hampton School community as a School Board Member.

Tamara Le expressed that it's been an honor and her pleasure to serve and work with the School Board on behalf of the North Hampton school community and expressed appreciation to the staff for all that they do for our students.

Commendations were expressed to John Savastano; community volunteer, who helps with our Video Club, and has recently spent an entire day taping every second-grade student with their Convention Invention Projects.

Commendations to Michael Ambrogio; parent volunteer for his involvement with the robotics team (The Pi – Heads). He won coaches award at the Lego Robotics competition and the

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Robotics Team came in second place. Pi Head members include: Will Martino, Jack Ambrogi, James Choate, Calvin Duffy, Emily Jeffrey, Danial Passero, Noah Robie, and Trevor Stempien.

Commendations and appreciation were expressed to the North Hampton Community for their support to the school during the Deliberative Session.

4. Questions / Comments from Those in Attendance - There were no comments.

5. Education Update

a. School Council – Dr. Erik Anderson informed that the meeting discussions involved the calendar, a report card survey, the idea of re-examining the School Constitution, and reviewed an Open Circle Program to possibly be introduced to North Hampton School. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 21, 2018 after school.

b. Report Card Update

Dr. Erik Anderson explained the results of a survey monkey analysis from the parent response to the new report cards. There were 54 responses and each parent were asked to respond to the survey for each individual child and reviewed the Report Card / Parent / Guardian Conferences Survey (January 18 – February 4, 2018) – Summary Report. The report card / conference survey results were presented

6. Continuing Business

a. Board Goals

Tamara Le informed that she will be handing over enrichment information that would be tied into the curriculum for the Board to peruse.

b. 2018-2019 School Calendar Proposal

This proposed 2018-2019 School Calendar changes are more of an alignment of days, will have the same number of days for students and teachers as last year, and is aligned with the other SAU21 Districts.

c. 2018-2019 Pre-School Schedule Proposal

The Board reviewed the proposed updated February 16, 2018: Draft #2 Pre-school changes presented by Dr. Anderson.

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d. Web Design Update

Cindy Burke informed of meeting with two web design vendors. She discussed the requirement for ADA compliance with regards to video capturing. She will arrange a meeting with John Savastano and others to discuss. In addition, she discussed changing our SIS system to Power School which would easily integrate with a new website.

Cindy Burke requested a recommendation from Administration and Dr. Anderson agreed to inquire the staff opinion.

10. Policy (The Board revisited and added Policy JICI to the Agenda) (Out of Order)

a. Policy JICI Update

The Board held a brief discussion on Policy JICI. The North Hampton School Board Association (NHSBA) recommended to use the policy that we have as its very difficult to go beyond what we have now. Municipal bodies cannot adopt restrictions that violate locally or what currently is state law. Current legislation is ongoing and pending.

Tamara Le presented a resolution involving safety issues. The Board agreed to continue conversation with the JICI Policy update during the March meeting.

7. New Business

a. Job Share MOA

Motion: Cindy Burke moved to approve that Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator can execute the draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for job shares between SEA CBA and SESPACBA as written as of February 12, 2018. Second: Thomas von Jess. Motion passed 5-0-0.

b. Field Trips

Dr. Anderson proposed that due to increased costs, decreased fundraising, and increased staffing needs – increased staffing compensation, that Grades 6-8 Overnight Trips (NYC, Washington D.C., and Merrowvista) may need to be eliminated.

Alternative local day-time field trips were presented that are also enriching, cover learning objectives, and were recommended by the staff brainstorming of ideas.

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Dr. Anderson will continue discussions with staff, but only if there will be increased compensation. Questions included how is it beneficial to students? Inquired about additional facts on increased costs? What will the final cost be? This is the first discussion and the Board requested a proposal be presented to them.

8. Written Reports

a. Superintendent

i. Winnacunnet HS Principal Bill McGowan Visit

The Board welcomed Principal McGowan and Dr. David Hobbs; Curricular Coordinator, expressing appreciation for taking the time to come to the North Hampton School Board Meeting.

Winnacunnet Principal McGowan, and Dr. David Hobbs spoke about Winnacunnet High School: Who we are, demographics and enrollments, Required and Elective Classes, Typical Schedule, Course Selection Timeline Ongoing Events, and Competency Based Assessment and Grading. Dream, Think, Do – Your possibilities are endless brochure was introduced which features many Winnacunnet student possibilities. The current student enrollment is 1,080.

David Hobbs informed about the Winnacunnet Dual Grade Book and Competencies that are being used for college transcripts, and admissions.

Power School is used by Winnacunnet.

b. Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Ronna Cadarette provided the new Curriculum Matters, Issue #1 in the Board's packet for the Board to peruse.

c. Administration Report - Dr. Erik Anderson and Tracey Griffenhagen provided and discussed a written report.

Gregg Duffy informed of receiving an email request for the placement of exchange students in North Hampton School. Dr. Sullivan informed that he is

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working together with Principal McGowan on exchange students. Gregg Duffy agreed to forward the email to the SAU21.

d. Financial Report - Matt Ferreira briefly reviewed the FY2017-18 expenditure report.

i. Bus Transportation – Fuel Rebates

Matt Ferreira informed that the District will receive a fuel pricing refund from July – December 2017, in the amount of \$1,524.27 from First Student Transportation Services.

ii. IRS/ACA Notice

Matt Ferreira informed that there are Affordable Care Act (ACA) for Health Insurance. We do not offer affordable health insurance to our Education Associates, and that there is a penalty for not providing affordable health insurance. NHSAA has advised that SAU21 districts may start receiving penalties from the IRS, and we do anticipate receiving a letter from the IRS, with penalties that could date back to 2015. More information will be forthcoming.

e. BUDCOM

James Sununu informed that the Budget Committee voted to recommend the 2018-19 North Hampton School Budget as amended 8-1, and that they voted to recommend the Seacoast Education Association – Collective Bargaining Agreement (SESPA) by 9-0 at the Deliberative Session.

f. Facilities

The Board reviewed written facilities report by John Gamache.

g. School Nutrition

The Board reviewed a written school nutrition report, and the YTD Department Overview 2017-2018 School Year by Paula Field.

h. Town CIP Committee – Nothing to report.

i. Winnacunnet Update

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See 8. Written Reports – a. Superintendent - i. Winnacunnet HS Principal Bill McGowan Visit.

9. Personnel

a. **Nominations** - deferred to non-public session.

11. Signing of the Manifests – The Board members present signed the manifest.

12. Next Meeting Date

- a. Tuesday, March 13, 2018 – 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. School District Elections
- b. Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. - Regular Meeting -

Motion: Cindy Burke motioned to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (b, c) at 9:47 p.m. Second: Gregg Duffy. Roll call vote: James Sununu says yes, Cindy Burke says yes, Thomas von Jess says yes, Gregg Duffy, and Tamara Le. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Submitted by Maureen Hastings, Recording Secretary (Approved March 20, 2018)