

North Hampton School District
School Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
North Hampton School - Music Room
201 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton
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School Board members: James Sununu; Chair, Tamara Le; Vice-Chair, Cindy Burke, and Thomas von Jess.

Administration: Robert Sullivan, Ed.D; Superintendent, Ronna Cadarette; Assistant Superintendent, Matt Ferreira; Business Administrator, Richard Boardman; Principal, and Tracy Griffenhagen; Assistant Principal/Director of Special Services.

Absent: Gregg Duffy.

Documents presented during the meeting are available through the SAU21 Office

At 6:03 p.m., James Sununu called the School Board meeting to **order**.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Board agreed to table the minutes of December 13, 2017 until the March 2017 meeting.

Motion: Tamara Le moved to approve the January 19, 2017 Public minutes as written.
Second: Thomas von Jess. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Motion: Tamara Le moved to approve the February 7, 2017 Public and Non-Public minutes as written. Second: Thomas von Jess. Motion passed 4-0-0.

3. Correspondence/Commendations

4. Questions/Comments from Those in Attendance

Anna Spalding read a letter, written by her son Burke Spalding and herself, in favor of the many contributions made by Susan Haight; Art Teacher, to the North Hampton School community.

5. Education Update

a. School Council

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- ❖ Report cards will be sent out on March 24, 2017, to coincide with the amount of school days lost due to inclement weather. Parents are being asked to provide feedback on the report cards that will be reviewed later by the school council.
- ❖ Staff is collaborating their information in the areas where art integrates with regular curriculum.
- ❖ Teaching staff have inquired to add their input for the teacher survey which will be revised and available this spring.
- ❖ Final review of surveys will be presented at future Board meetings.

b. Curriculum Review

A brief discussion was held about information to be reviewed with parents such as: the curriculum process, a time line for curriculum reviews with the Board, each team presenting their curriculum, information on how the curriculum lines up with the common core standards, details on the curriculum by grade levels, and a unit by unit curriculum presentation (what is the material that is covered during the year).

6. Continuing Business

a. Board Goals

A brief discussion was held about an emergency communication presentation to be scheduled by the end of this winter. Survey feedback will be sent to James Sununu, Chair to be disseminated and brought forward for discussion, reorganized black board and prioritizing staff and parent communications. Middle school staff reductions – what are we looking at? Changes and sharing resources among the staff.

b. Walnut Avenue – Update

Matt Ferreira reported that First Student Transportation has agreed to provide service for the Walnut Avenue bus route without additional charges.

7. New Business

a. NHSBA Assembly

Tamara Le discussed attending the NHSBA Assembly, and recommended contacting Mark Dolan; NHSBA Strategic Planning Specialist, who assists school boards with effective goal setting, and an effective strategic planning process.

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Tamara Le agreed to contact Mr. Mike Dolan for information that the Board can review in regards to effective goal setting, strategic planning, and fees associated with the service.

8. Written Reports

a. Superintendent Sullivan reviewed and provided a written report.

Seabrook Principal Les Shepard has submitted his notification to retire after 40 years of service to the Seabrook School District.

b. Assistant Superintendent

Ronna Cadarette expressed her enthusiasm with getting to know the individual districts, working with the vertical teams, and on curriculum development.

c. Administration Report:

Principal Boardman and Tracy Griffenhagen discussed and provided a written report, The Board expressed congratulations to Isabelle Sununu who won this year's spelling bee.

d. Financial Report

Matt Ferreira provided the FY 2016-17 expenditure report – No discussion.

- i. Revenue Update – Matt Ferreira reviewed: Federal revenue, Medicaid line, and Page 2 - lunch reimbursement.

Appreciation was expressed to our Bus Drivers for their dedication and care for our students, and who greet our students in the morning and bring them home safely in the evening. February is Bus Driver Appreciation Month.

e. BUDCOM

James Sununu informed that all warrant articles will appear on the ballot.

f. Facilities

The Board reviewed the written facilities report by John Gamache; Facilities Manager.

Matt Ferreira informed that the natural gas conversion continues to move forward, and that John Gamache is monitoring the depth of the snow on the roof to determine if or when roof snow removal is needed.

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g. School Nutrition

The Board reviewed the written School Nutrition report.

h. Town CIP Committee Not currently active.

i. Winnacunnet Update

During the February 15, 2017 Winnacunnet School Board meeting, a High School Video Presentation showcasing the multiple clubs, programs, fairs, sports activities and everything else that Winnacunnet is about, was presented and will be shown throughout the supporting districts. Also, Michael Daboul; Assistant Principal, Karen Schweizer; Assistant Principal, Aaron Abood: Assistant Principal, and Ryan Stevens; Dean of Student Safety & Operations discussed and introduced the processes and procedures to address student conflicts.

Thomas von Jess expressed his respect with staff colleagues who have reached out in favor of each other. Their generous comments always apply to each member of our school community. We are all going through a very difficult time but the changes are necessary.

9. Personnel

10. Policy

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

12. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items:

Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Motion: Tamara Le moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (b, c) at 6:57 p.m. Second: Cindy Burke. Roll call vote: James Sununu says yes, Tamara Le says yes, Cindy Burke says yes, and Thomas von Jess says yes. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Hastings

Recording Secretary

(Approved March 16, 2017)