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Northbridge School Committee

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Northbridge Public Schools
School Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 10th, 2017 7:30 PM
Northbridge High School Media Center

I. Call to Order (7:30)

II. Attendance

Alicia Cannon	Present
Mike LeBrasseur	Present
Brian Paulhus	Present
Joseph Strazzulla	Present

Also in attendance were Superintendent Catherine Stickney, Business Manager Melissa Walker, and Student Representative Emilee Angell.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Statement of Audio and Video Recording

V. Statement of Mission

VI. Public Comment

None.

VII. Student Representative's Report

Emilee Angell reported that the club sports are in full swing. The football team, Cheer team, field hockey, girls soccer, boys soccer, golf, and cross country are in the middle of very successful seasons. Progress reports came out not long ago. This past weekend was the homecoming dance (Thursday) and homecoming day (Saturday). The fall concert is approaching on October 24th. Seniors are picking their schools and planning their futures. The acappella and drama club have been having auditions and making selections for their groups. The community garden is beginning the final harvest of a very successful season. Many students took SAT's last weekend and the PSAT's are tomorrow.

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VIII. Consent agenda

a. School Committee Regular Meeting Minutes from September 26, 2017

b. Warrant 38-14s 9/28/17 $295,206.17

A motion was made by Alicia Cannon to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Joseph Strazzulla. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

IX. Action items

a. Donation of Trade books from L.L Bean

A motion was made by Alicia Cannon to accept the Trade Books from LL Bean. A motion was seconded by Joseph Strazzulla. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

b. Donation from Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church for Northbridge HS Food Pantry

A motion was made by Alicia Cannon to accept the $300.00 Donation from Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church for Northbridge HS Food Pantry. A motion was seconded by Brian Paulhus. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

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c. Policy Subcommittee Appointment

A motion was made by Michael LeBrasseur to appoint Brian Paulhus as chair of the Policy Subcommittee. A motion was seconded by Joseph Strazzulla. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

X. Discussion:

a. Superintendent's Goals 2017-2018

Catherine Stickney stated that she made one change to the Superintendent's Goals. This change took place under the Student Learning Goal.

A motion was made by Joseph Strazzulla to approve the Superintendent's Goals for 2017-2018. A motion was seconded by Alicia Cannon. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

b. School Committee's Goals 2017-2018

Michael LeBrasseur stated that he will further research the student achievement goal. This will be discussed at an upcoming SC meeting.

c. Cable Board of Director's Vacancy

Michael LeBrasseur stated that there is an open position for the School Committee on the Northbridge Cable Corp. Committee. If we do not have a member that would like to serve, we can open it up to the community. This will be a discussion at an upcoming SC meeting.

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d. October 24, 2017 Change of Meeting Location and Time

Michael LeBrasseur stated that we will need to change the Location and Time of our scheduled School Committee meeting due to the Town Meeting. The meeting will now take place at the Middle School Library- 6:00pm.

A motion was made by Alicia Cannon to change the meeting location and time of the October 24, 2017 meeting to take place at the MS Library at 6:00pm. A motion was seconded by Joseph Strazzulla. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

e. FY19 Budget Parameters

Melissa Walker stated that she wants to look at the FY19 Budget Timeline and the parameters that we would utilize to put forward a draft budget. This will be a conversation at the October 24th SC meeting.

f. School Building Committee Update

Joseph Strazzulla stated that the next meeting is on Thursday, October 12th at 7pm at Balmer. We submitted the document to the MSBA containing the summary of all of the work we have completed. There is a community forum on October 30th 6pm at Balmer. The next stage is to choose the schematic design.

XI. School Committee Individual Comments

Emily Angell- The school year is off to a great start and all is going well.

Joseph Strazzulla- This past Saturday was the first homecoming Joe attended and it was awesome. Thank you to the SBC members for coming to the event.

XII. Adjournment (8:01 P.M.)

The motion was made by Joseph Strazzulla to adjourn the meeting at 8:01pm. The motion was seconded Alicia Cannon. A vote was taken by roll call and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes

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Joseph Strazzulla Yes

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