

# Northbridge Public Schools Northbridge School Committee

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Michael LeBrasseur, Chairperson, <a href="mailto:mlebrasseur@nps.org">mlebrasseur@nps.org</a>, Joseph Strazzulla, Vice-Chairperson, Michael Alden, Bethany Cammarano, Brian Paulhus

# Northbridge Public Schools School Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 26th, 2018 7:00 PM Northbridge High School Media Center

- I. Call to Order (7:00)
- II. Attendance

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Present
Joseph Strazzulla Present
Michael Alden Present
Bethany Cammarano Present

Also in attendance were Superintendent Catherine Stickney and Director of Business and Finance Melissa Walker.

- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Statement of Audio and Video Recording
- V. Statement of Mission
- VI. Public Comment

Jill Redding, NTA President, spoke to the committee in regards to the Chairperson Job Description. Jill stated that the description has not been finalized and they would like to see if it could be removed as an action item. Jill also stated that they would like to table the Balmer Tech Reorganization for a future meeting to give the teachers more time to go over the changes.

#### VII. Recognition

Catherine Stickney recognized the Retirees and former School Committee members. Catherine also announced the Teacher(s) of the year- Lisa Gogolinski and Elizabeth Wermuth.

#### VIII. Consent Agenda

a. School Committee Regular Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2018

b. Warrant 38-50s 6/7/18 \$128,357.49

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Bethany Cammarano. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano 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:

a. Superintendent's Final Summative Evaluation

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to approve the Superintendent's Final Summative Evaluation. The motion was seconded by Michael Alden. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano Yes

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0 members having voted in the negative

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

# b. Summer Meeting Schedule

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to approve the Summer Meeting Schedule- 7/24/18 workshop and 8/14/18 Presentation from the Special Education Program Review. The motion was seconded by Michael Alden. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

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

#### c. Budget Subcommittee

A motion was made by Michael Alden to appoint Joseph Strazzulla and Michael Alden to the Budget Subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Brian Paulhus. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano 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.

# d. Policy Subcommittee

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

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano 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. Negotiations Subcommittee

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to appoint Michael Alden and Brian Paulhus to the Negotiations Subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Michael Alden. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano Yes

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#### f. Public Relations Subcommittee

A motion was made by Brain Paulhus to appoint Michael LeBrasseur and Bethany Cammarano to the Public Relations Subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Michael Alden. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano 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.

# g. School Building Committee Appointment (Board of Selectmen's representative)

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to appoint Alicia Cannon to the School Building Committee as the Board of Selectmen's representative. The motion was seconded by Michael Alden. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Mike LeBrasseur Absent
Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
Bethany Cammarano 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.

#### h. St. Patrick's Lease

A motion was made by Michael Alden to approve the 3 year St. Patrick's Lease with a \$500.00 increase per year. The motion was seconded by Brian Paulhus. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

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Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
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#### X. Presentation

Amy McKinstry, Alison Rossi, and Lauren Dolan presented the 2017-2018 EOY Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Report.

#### XI. Discussion:

#### a. Strategic Planning Update

Amy McKinstry stated that they wrapped up the 3<sup>rd</sup> leadership team strategic planning meeting today. They are using the DESE Planning for Success Model for the strategic planning. There is a district planning team with parents, teachers, community, School Committee, students, and the leadership team. The three areas of focus are social emotional learning and student wellbeing, academic rigor and personnel success for students, and culture and community.

#### b. School Choice Grade Closure

Catherine Stickney stated that based upon Mrs. Ross's recommendation we have closed Grade 4 to School Choice for the 2018-2019 school year.

#### c. Early Professional Status

Catherine Stickney granted early professional status to the following teachers based on principal recommendations: Allison Rossi, Cortney Rosenlund and Michael Santiago-Silvestri.

#### d. Proposed Balmer Technology Reorganization

Catherine Stickney shared the proposed technology reorganization at Balmer. This will be an action item at a future meeting.

#### e. School Building Committee Update

Joseph Strazzulla stated that tomorrow is a big day before the MSBA waiting to hear their final decision on our schematic design and budget. We will continue our work throughout the summer and inform as many people as to what is going on with the project. The next meeting is July  $17^{th}$  and a community forum on August  $20^{th}$ .

#### XII. School Committee Individual Comments

Bethany Cammarano- Bethany thanked everyone for being so helpful and getting her settled. Bethany had the opportunity to go to the Orientation for MASC.

Brian Paulhus- Update for senior parents – Maria Paulhus, Alicia Cannon, and Elizabeth Wermuth are spear heading operation graduation efforts. So many volunteers are needed at so many levels. Reach out to Maria, Alicia, or Betsy if you would like to volunteer.

Michael Alden-Michael thanked all of the teachers for another great year. A special thanks to the Northbridge PTA for another wonderful yearbook.

Joseph Strazzulla- Stay tuned throughout the summer. We have got the August meeting for SBC and the Spec Ed review. Joe wanted to reiterate that the August date was the soonest the committee could get together to go over the evaluation.

# XIII. Adjournment (8:26 P.M.)

The motion was made by Brian Paulhus to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm. The motion was seconded Michael Alden. A vote was taken by roll call and the following votes were recorded:

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Brian Paulhus Yes
Joseph Strazzulla Yes
Michael Alden Yes
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