

Northbridge Public Schools Northbridge School Committee

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Northbridge Public Schools School Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 24th, 2019 7:00 PM Northbridge High School Media Center

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

Michael LeBrasseur Present
Bethany Cammarano Present
Steven Falconer Present
Brian Paulhus Present
Robert Dziekiewicz Present

Also in attendance were Superintendent Amy McKinstry 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

Doreen Tucker, a parent of NPS students, shared concerns about the current state of the Athletic Programs at the High School. Doreen indicated she had emailed administration and the school committee specifically of her concerns with the varsity field hockey team. Doreen indicated that Mr. McCormick has been speaking with her and working on addressing the concerns. Doreen appreciated Mr. McCormick and Mr. Kozik personally apologizing to the varsity field hockey team and their efforts to rectify the concerns. Doreen wanted to express concerns across the board of all sports and seasons. She spoke specifically about the upcoming Homecoming, uniforms, lack of communication, team scheduling, as well as the frustration that the students and parents have been feeling.

VII. Superintendent's Report

Amy McKinstry shared individual school and district wide updates with the committee

VIII. Consent Agenda

a. School Committee Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2019

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

Michael LeBrasseur Yes
Bethany Cammarano Yes
Steven Falconer Yes
Brian Paulhus Yes
Robert Dziekiewicz Yes

5 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 5-0.

IX. Action Items

a. DECA Field Trips 2019 – 2020 SY

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b. Food Pantry – Donations

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Steven Falconer Yes
Brian Paulhus Yes
Robert Dziekiewicz Yes

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0 members having voted in the negative

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c. Warrant 40-10s \$318,445.53

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X. Introduction:

Kevin Callahan, Vocational Coordinator was introduced to the committee by High School Principal, Tim McCormick

XI. Discussion:

a. HS Internship Program Update

Tim McCormick and Kevin Callahan shared updates with the committee

b. Wellness Report/BRYT Program

Lori Johnson presented the Wellness Report and the new BRYT Program starting at the High School for the 2019 - 2020 school year with the committee.

c. Transportation Update

Melissa Walker, Finance Director shared the Transportation Update with the committee.

XII. School Committee Individual Comments

The School Committee members shared their comments.

XIII. Adjournment (7:24P.M.)

The motion was made by Brian Paulhus to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bethany Cammarano. A vote was taken by roll call and the following votes were recorded:

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