



# Northbridge Public Schools

## Northbridge School Committee

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Brian Paulhus, Bethany Cammarano, Steven Falconer, Robert Dziekiewicz

### Northbridge Public Schools School Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 3, 2020 7:00PM 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	Absent

Also in attendance Superintendent Amy McKinstry, Director of Business and Finance Melissa Walker, and Student representative Ruby Holtz

#### III. Pledge of Allegiance

#### IV. Statement of Audio and Video Recording

#### V. Statement of Mission

#### VI. Public Comment

No public comments.

#### VII. Student Representative Report

Ruby Holtz highlighted winter sports team records and seasons as well as MCAS testing. She spoke about the upcoming events being held in the district such as the High School Science Fair taking place on March 10<sup>th</sup> and Mr. NHS taking place on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### VIII. Consent Agenda

##### A. School Committee Meeting Minutes from February 11, 2020

B. Warrant 40-32s	2/13/20	\$337,518.04
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A motion was made by Steven Falconer to accept items from the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Brian Paulhus. 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

It is the policy of the Northbridge Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, or homelessness in its educational programs, services, activities, or employment.

Robert Dziekiewicz                      Absent

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.    Presentation

### A.    FY21 Superintendent's proposed budget

Amy McKinstry and Melissa Walker shared PowerPoint presentation, which will be available for viewing on the school committee page of the district website under public presentations. They talked about this years approach and looking at the budget with an "equity lense". They spoke about both the challenges and opportunities that the district faces.

## X.    Action Items (7:30)

### A.    Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles

1.    Middle School Boiler

2.    Foster Care Transportation Reimbursement

3.    Capital Projects – HS stair treads, HS sprinkler pipes

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to accept Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles as presented. The motion was seconded by Steven 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                      Absent

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.    2020-2021 School Calendar

A motion was made by Steven Falconer to accept 2020-2021 School Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Bethany Cammarano. 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                      Absent

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.

### C.    Athletic Transfer - Uniforms

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to accept Athletic Transfer - Uniforms as presented. The motion was seconded by Steven Falconer. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

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

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. FY20 Indirect Costs

A motion was made by Steven Falconer to accept FY20 Indirect Costs as presented. The motion was seconded by Bethany Cammarano. 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	Absent

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. Transportation Contract

A motion was made by Brian Paulhus to accept Transportation Contract as presented. The motion was seconded by Bethany Cammarano. 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	Absent

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.

### XI. Discussion

#### A. NHS Program of Studies

Tim McCormick, Principal at Northbridge High School presented the 2020-2021 Program of Studies and highlighted updates & course sequencing. Spoke about proposed courses to be added for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### B. Superintendent Evaluation Process

Michael LeBrasseur spoke about the process and highlighted the timeline.

### XII. School Committee Individual Comments

The school committee shared their individual comments.

### XIII. Adjournment (8:27pm)

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

Michael LeBrasseur Yes

Bethany Cammarano Yes

Steven Falconer Yes

Brian Paulhus Yes

Robert Dziekiewicz Absent

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