

Northfield Town School District
Board of School Directors' Regular Meeting Minutes*
June 6, 2016 – 6:30 PM
Brown Public Library Community Room
Approved: _____

Present: Emily Gray, Acting Chair; Peter Evans, Acting Clerk; Mike Bailey; Laurie Gossens, Superintendent; Ryan Parkman, NMHS Principal; Wayne Howe, NES Principal. **Absent:** Justin Wrigley, Chair; Sophia Bennett, Vice-Chair.

1.0 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Emily Gray at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 Approve Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Mike Bailey to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2016 and the Bills and Orders Summary totaling \$1,383,976.81. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

3.0 Community Engagement: *None.*

4.0 Reports:

4.1 Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Laurie Gossens shared her report with the Board.

4.2.1 Monitoring Report EL.05, "Personnel Evaluations" was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Emily Gray to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

4.2.2 Monitoring Report EL.08, "Facilities Management" was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Emily Gray to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

4.2.3 Monitoring Report EL.09, "Asset Protection" was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Emily Gray to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.0 Board Discussion and Action:

5.1 Discussion and Action on the Revenue (tax) Anticipation Note: Superintendent Gossens shared information regarding the note that is being considered to support the schools in anticipation of tax monies. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Peter Evans to approve the Revenue Anticipation Note with Merchants Bank in the amount of \$1,975,000.00 at a rate of 1.25%. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.2 Discussion and Action on Current Expense Note: Superintendent Gossens shared information regarding a note to cover expenses through the end of the year. A motion was made by Peter Evans and seconded by Mike Bailey to approve the Current Expense Note in the amount of \$100,000 at the rate of 1.5% with the Merchants Bank. Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.3 Discussion and Action on Second and Final Reading of RP.04 "Student Attendance": Superintendent Gossens shared with the Board RP.04 "Student Attendance" policy and highlighted the changes from the last reading. A motion was made by Peter Evans and seconded by Mike Bailey to approve the second and final reading of RP.04 "Student Attendance". Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.4 Discussion and Action on First Reading of RP.19 "Substitute Teachers": Superintendent Gossens shared with the Board RP.19 "Substitute Teachers" policy and highlighted the changes made. A motion was made by Emily Gray and seconded by Mike Bailey to approve the first reading of RP.19 "Substitute Teachers". Vote: Yes – 3; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

6.0 Board Work Session:

6.1 Act 46 Study Committee Update:

Discussion took place about the progress of the Act 46 Study with Williamstown Schools. Emily Gray and Peter Evans offered information about their work as part of the Study Committee to date.

7.0 Future Board Meetings:

WSSU	June 20, 2016	Roxbury Village School Library	5:30 p.m.
NSD	August 1, 2016	Brown Public Library Community Room	6:30 p.m.

There was discussion and reminder that the June meeting of the WSSU Board had been moved to June 20 from the previously scheduled June 13 due to Roxbury Village School Graduation.

8.0 Other Discussion:

There was discussion about status of dual enrollment and whether or not Northfield students were taking advantage of this option.

Update: negotiated agreements have been approved.

9.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Evans, Acting Clerk

*To be approved at the next regularly scheduled meeting