

Northfield Town School District
Board of School Directors' Regular Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2016 – 6:30 PM
Northfield Middle High School Library
Approved: June 6, 2016

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

1.0 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Sophia Bennett at 6:43 p.m.

2.0 Approve Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Emily Gray to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2016 and the Bills and Orders Summary totaling \$61,700.74. Vote: Yes – 4; 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.04, "Personnel Compensation" was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made by Emily Gray and seconded by Peter Evans to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

4.2.2 Monitoring Report EL.10, "Communication and Counsel to the Board" was presented to the Board by Superintendent Gossens. A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Peter Evans to accept the Monitoring Report and endorse the compliance of the Superintendent. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.0 Board Discussion and Action:

5.1 Discussion and Action on Univent Purchase: A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Peter Evans to approve the purchase of eight vents and a temperature control base, including labor and installation, in the amounts of \$22,105 and \$22,475. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.2 Discussion and Action on First Reading of RP.04, Student Attendance: A motion was made by Mike Bailey and seconded by Peter Evans to approve the first reading of RP.04 "Student Attendance". Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

5.3 Discussion and Action on First Reading of RP.19, Substitute Teachers: A motion was made by Peter Evans and seconded by Mike Bailey to approve the first reading of RP.19 "Substitute Teachers" with an amendment to include a broad category of mandatory reporting. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved.

6.0 Board Work Session:

6.1 Act 46 Study Committee Update:

Emily Gray and Peter Evans provided an update regarding the most recent meeting of the 706 Study Committee with Northfield and Williamstown. The elementary principals will be presenting to the Study Committee in early May and the middle/high school principals and supervisory union staff will be presenting to the Study Committee later in May or June. The next meeting of the Study Committee is scheduled on May 3, 2016.

7.0 Future Board Meetings:

WSSU	June 13, 2016	Roxbury Village School Library	5:30 p.m.
NSD	July 5, 2016	Brown Public Library Community Room	6:30 p.m.
NSD	August 1, 2016	Brown Public Library Community Room	6:30 p.m.

There was discussion and agreement to cancel the July 5, 2016 meeting of the Northfield School Board.

8.0 Executive Session:

A motion was made by Sophia Bennett and seconded by Mike Bailey to enter into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. with an invitation to the Superintendent to discuss contract negotiations. Vote: Yes – 4; No – 0; Abstention – 0. Approved. The Board exited Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

9.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Gray, Clerk