

REGULAR NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

NOVEMBER 28, 2012

The North Providence School Committee met on November 28, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Conference Room at the High School. Members present were Chairman Marciano, Mrs. Reall, Mr. Cataldi, Mr. Iannetta, Mr. Palmieri via telephone and Mrs. Picard. Also present were Superintendent Ryan, Mr. Goho and Mr. Scungio. School Committee Elect member DaSilva and Andreozzi were present for the Executive Session as observers only. Mr. McNamee, Mr. Tedeschi and Mr. Milazzo were present for the Regular Session only. Appropriate disclosure was made by the Chair concerning compliance with R.I. General Laws 42-46-(4)&(5) indicating that any person to be discussed had been appropriately notified.

Motion by Mrs. Reall, seconded by Mr. Iannetta and carried to go into open session at 6:30 p.m. The regular session was recessed to go into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. The regular session reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Chair led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

III. CHAIR TO REPORT OUT ANY VOTES TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECEIVE MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION+ MINUTES PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF RIGL 42-46-(4) & (5).

The Chair reported that there were no votes taken in Executive Session.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

The Chair next reported that there was no correspondence received.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS 3-4.

No comments were received.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Monthly Financial Report.

Superintendent Ryan asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Iannetta as to Resolution No. 12-11-01. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N.P. School Committee vote to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

2. Home Schooling.

Superintendent Ryan asked the Committee to grant advice and consent of the approval of the home schooling request as submitted. Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mrs. Reall as to Resolution No. 12-11-02. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N. P. School Committee vote to approve the Home Schooling Request submitted by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Montondo for Riley Montondo – Grade 4 and Shaelyn Montondo – Grade 4. A roll

call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, nay, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, nay, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by a vote of 4 to 2.

The Chair informed the audience that Mr. Palmieri received approval to participate in the meeting by phone and that he also received approval to vote and have his votes counted as if he was present.

3. Field Trips.

Superintendent Ryan recommended approval of the field trips as submitted. Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mrs. Reall as to Resolution No. 12-11-03. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N. P. School Committee vote to approve the Field Trip Requests as submitted. A roll call vote was taken as follows; Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

4. North Providence School Committee 2013 Meeting Schedule.

Superintendent Ryan recommended approval of the N.P. School Committee 2013 Meeting Schedule as submitted. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mrs. Reall as to Resolution No. 12-11-04. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N.P. School Committee vote to approve the N.P. School Committee 2013

Meeting Schedule as submitted. As roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

5. Access to Public Records Request Procedure.

Superintendent Ryan informed the Committee that the updated materials on Access to Public Request Procedures were submitted in the packets and are available to the public.

6. Special Education Team Report.

Mr. Tedeschi gave a brief report on the items that need to be addressed. He spoke about the activities that are taking place, including the recent hire of the Early Childhood Coordinator. He also spoke about updating the Special Education Training Manual and the review the teachers will receive. Discussion also took place regarding the need to evaluate the teacher assistants.

7. Facilities Plan.

Superintendent Ryan spoke one of the findings that came out of the Special Education Report being the lack of space in the elementary grades due to the jump in enrollment. The Chair thanked Superintendent Ryan for his report.

8. Superintendent's Communication.

Superintendent Ryan recognized Jason Ryan – English Teacher at North Providence High School for receiving the Marian Gleason Most Promising Teacher Award for 2012. Members offered congratulations and applause.

Next, Superintendent Ryan spoke about receiving a call from Patriots' Place congratulating the Grade 7 and 8 Birchwood Middle School Students for their respectful behavior during their recent Field Trip to Patriots' Place. The students were asked to do something called "Totally Patriots" and they rose to the occasion. They were a wonderful representation from North Providence.

9. Ricci Middle School Champlin Grant Presentation.

Mrs. Della Santa spoke about the Champlin Grant and the press conference that was held last week. She read the Grant and informed everyone that the amount of the grant is \$73,595.00. Members of the Committee offered congratulations on their card work. Mr. Goho added that there was a lot of rigorous work that went into preparation of the grant and congratulated the members of the team.

VII. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

No School Committee Reports were received.

Discussion of Budget and Staffing at all Building Levels – Mr. Palmieri.

VIII. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE

No requests were received.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bids.

No bids were received.

2. Resignations.

No resignation requests were received.

2. Retirements.

No retirement requests were received.

3. Leaves of Absence.

Superintendent Ryan asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to the Leaves of Absence as follows: Paula DeTara – Teacher Assistant – Centredale Elementary School n- Paid FMLA Leave Effective October 29, 2012 through November 30, 2012; Amanda Graziano – Kindergarten Teacher – Greystone Elementary School – Paid FMLA Leave Effective January 29, 2013 through April 11, 2013; Karianne Greene –Special Education Teacher – NPHS – Paid FMLA Leave Effective January 2, 2013 through April 11, 2013; Eleanor Lonordo – Crossing Guard – Post – McGuire Elementary School – Unpaid Medical Leave – Effective October 17, 2012 through a date to be determined; Danielle Marchese – Crossing Guard – Whelan Elementary School – Unpaid FMLA Leave Effective November 5, 2012 through December 14, 2012; Christine Onorato – Crossing Guard – Post – Stephen Olney Elementary School Unpaid Medical Leave Effective November 8, 2012 through a date to be determined; Mary Read – Account Controller – Paid FMLA Leave Effective December 7, 2012 through a date to be determined; and Danielle Tiernan- Special Education Teacher – Ricci Middle School Correction to a previously approved FMLA Leave – Paid FMLA Leave Effective August 27, 2012 through October 17, 2012, Unpaid FMLA Leave Effective October 18, 2012 through December 4, 2012, and Paid Medical Leave Effective December 5, 2012 through February 15, 2013. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mrs. Reall and Mrs. Picard as to Resolution No. 12-11-08. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the

Superintendent, the N.P. School Committee vote to approve the Leaves of Absence requests as submitted. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye as to all the Leave of Absence Requests with the exception of Mary Read, which he abstained from voting on, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent with exception of the vote to approve the Leave of Absence Request for Mary Read, which was approved by the vote of 6 ayes with Mr. Iannetta abstaining from the vote.

4. Appointments.

Superintendent Ryan asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to the following appointments: Salvatore Gelsomino – Yearbook Advisor – NPHS Effective – 2012/2013 School Year Only; Amy Gingras – Junior Band Director – Birchwood Middle School – Effective 2012/2013 School Year; and Lisa Villella – Data Management Assistant – Effective November 29, 2012. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mrs. Picard and Mr. Iannetta as to Resolution No. 12-11-09. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N.P. School Committee vote to approve the Appointments as presented. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Ms. Leva, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

The Chair asked the appointees to stand and receive recognition and applause.

X. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was presented.

XI. USE OF PROPERTY REQUESTS

Superintendent Ryan recommended that the Committee grant advice and consent to the approval of the Use of Property Requests submitted which were not previously approved, based on School Committee Policy, availability and the request meeting all the necessary conditions. Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mrs. Picard as to Resolution No. 12-11-10. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the North Providence School Committee grant advice and consent to the approval of the Use of Property Requests as submitted with no charge to the Maguire PTA for their event and no charge for the Gloria Gemma Event except the cost of the custodian. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XII. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Superintendent Ryan recommended approval of November 2012 List of Bills as presented and submitted to the Committee. Motion by Mr. Iannetta, seconded by Mrs. Reall as to Resolution No. 12-11-11. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the North Providence School Committee grants advice and consent to approve and pay the November 2012 List of Bills. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Iannetta as to Resolution No. 12-11-12. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the N. P. School Committee vote to approve and seal the Minutes of the Executive Sessions held on November 1, 2012, October 24, 2012, and September 26, 2012. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mrs. Reall as to Resolution No. 12-11-12. Be it resolved that, at the recommendation of the

Superintendent, the N. P. School Committee vote to approve the Minutes of the November 1, 2012 Special Meeting, the October 24, 2012 Regular School Committee Meeting, and the September 26, 2012 Regular School Committee Meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Picard, aye, Mr. Palmieri, aye, Mr. Cataldi, aye, Mrs. Reall, aye, Mr. Iannetta, aye, and the Chair, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS IN AGENDA ITEMS 7 - 13.

Public comments were received.

XV. PENDING BUSINESS

No pending business was discussed.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mrs. Reall and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Caranci

**Recording Secretary of the North Providence
School Committee**

Date Submitted to Committee:

Date Approved by the Committee: