

NASHUA SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 13E  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
September 12, 2023  
6:00PM

**Call Meeting to Order-** Chairperson Sharon Merideth

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:** Patti Sibley, Michele Fromdahl, Sharon Merideth

Other: Jeanine Sundby, Marisa Collins, Tyler & Kayla Thievin, Susan Hoyer, Noel Beadle, Meagan Wersal, Roger Trang, Ryleigh Delich, Kassidi Knuchel

**Correspondence**

**Public Comment**

**This portion of the meeting is designed as a time for input/questions from the public on items that are not on the agenda. This does NOT include discussion about individual students, staff, or faculty. The Board cannot and will not violate an individual's right to privacy.**

**Board Approval of**

- **Board Minutes**

1. 8/7/23 Budget Meeting
2. 8/7/23 Regular Meeting
3. 8/10/23 Special Meeting
4. 8/24/23 Special Meeting

Motion to approve: Patti

2<sup>nd</sup>: Michele

Vote: 3-0

- **Claims/payroll/student accounts**

Motion to approve claims #25122-25158 for \$46,037.65, payroll, and student accounts: Michele

2<sup>nd</sup>: Patti     Vote: 3-0

**Superintendent's Report**

- Nashua is now part of the Roose-Valley SPED Co-op. This includes speech/OT/PT/psych services and hearing screenings, K-1 assessments.
- Classroom desks/tables/chairs arrived that were purchased with the ELC grant.
- MSU – students pursuing a teaching degree will be coming October 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> to our area for practicum with the idea of eventually getting them as student teachers. This process will help with emergency certification and to get potential teachers in our district.
- Applied for Health Grants which will provide supplies to the community, such as blood pressure monitors
- Safety Grant – \$9500 funding would be used next August to provide staff training for school safety
- Stone Tihista sprayed for weeds on the playground. She will need to spray for a few years to get rid of the problem.
- FFA - The \$7500 in grant funding arrived to be used for the FFA stipend, coats for students, conference fees, etc.
- PVSS - We are adding library services to our contract. They provide support to our librarian within her position. She will have monthly meetings.
- K12 Vision Group - November 14th in Helena
- Infinite Campus – we may possibly add the ability for parents to pay fees with credit cards. \$1000 to set-up. Unsure on processing fee.
- MPERO - new software to see student activity on Chromebooks at school and home. 7000 keywords trigger an email to Mrs. Sundby.
- \*NEMASS – Mrs. Sundby is Vice President
- \*Booster Club - \$\$ Request Form for teacher classroom supplies
- \*Music Grant – applied through Montana Masonic Foundation for \$5000 to use towards risers and instruments
- \*Senior Grant - \$1000 for Bingo Night at the Community Center

**Old Business**

**New Business- Discussion/Action**

- **North Bus Route**

Kayla and Tyler Thievin discussed the safety issues with the current North route on which their son rides the bus. The safety issues include where the junction of the bus stop is, there's a blind spot coming over the hill and the topography creates an unsafe area. Secondly, winter roads will make this issue even

worse. They are requesting the bus to stop down their road. It is also a hardship on the family as there are three babies at home usually napping during dropoff/pickup. Grandma has been taking time off work to help pick up, but it is not feasible to continue. Roger (route driver) agrees that this junction has a blind spot and there are other families with upcoming students in this area, so this will be an ongoing issue. Tim and Patti are on the Board transportation committee and would like to further research this issue.

**TABLE** for further information.

- **Substitute Applications** – Kaitlyn Miller and Annette-Marie Reiter

Motion to approve (pending successful background check): Michele                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Patti                      Vote: 3-0

- **FFA**

Tracy Cumber, the new Ag teacher, would like to start FFA club.

Motion to approve program: Michele                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Patti                      Vote: 3-0

Table stipend pending negotiations.

- **Track Coach Resignation**

Taylor Laumeyer intended to coach for the upcoming track season, but no longer can. No track coaches have officially been hired for the 2024 track season, so this is just an informational item.

- **Prairie View Curriculum Consortium – Contract Amendment**

Motion to approve adding library services: Patti                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Michele                      Vote: 3-0

- **Extracurricular Positions**

- Concessions – Heather Johnson
- Cheerleading Advisor – Anita Strommen
- National Honor Society – Stephanie Hughes
- Student Council – Stephanie Hughes

Motion to hire: Michele                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Patti                      Vote: 3-0

- **Back to School Bonus**

Classified staff will receive a \$1500 bonus. A new MOA was issued to the union to approve a \$1500 certified bonus. The union provided a signed document regarding the bonus not being an item of negotiation between NEA and the District. Approve certified bonus pending MTSBA approval of union not signing MOA.

Motion to approve classified and certified bonus: Michele                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Patti                      Vote: 3-0

## Reports

- **Booster** - n/a

- **NEA Comments** - Upcoming mediation date is October 30<sup>th</sup>, with November 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and December 21<sup>st</sup> approved if needed to continue. NEA asked why the Board will not meet earlier without the mediator and feels this is bad faith bargaining, therefore an Unfair Labor Practice has been filed. The Board Chair felt this regular meeting is not the place to discuss mediation and adjourned the meeting at this time. This discussion between NEA and the Board will reconvene at scheduled mediation on October 30.

- **Board Committees**

- Policy Committee
- PIR Day Committee
- Calendar Committee

## Future Agenda Items:

**Adjournment:** 7:05pm

**Next Meeting:** October 11, 2023 6:00PM