

ESSEX NORTH SHORE AGRICULTURAL & TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

AUGUST 19, 2010

The organizational meeting of the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School Committee was called to order at 6:36 p.m. on August 19, 2010 at North Shore Technical High School in the Amelia P. O'Malley Media Center at 30 Log Bridge Road, Middleton, MA pursuant to Section 7 of the Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004 Establishing The Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District, which was authorized by vote of the City Council or Town Meeting by the Cities of Beverly, Gloucester, Peabody and Salem and the Towns of Boxford, Danvers, Essex, Hamilton, Lynnfield, Manchester, Marblehead, Middleton, Rockport, Swampscott, Topsfield and Wenham, pursuant to Section 4 of the Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004.

Pursuant to Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004, Commissioner Mitchell, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, certified to the Honorable William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, that the requirements for local adoption of said Chapter 463 have been duly met. In accordance with the provisions of said statutes, is established effective July 1, 2010.

Mr. Jeff Wulfson, Associate Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education convened the meeting. The following were certified as appointed members to the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School Committee: Paul Anderson, Lynnfield; Leonard A. Bonfanti, Peabody; Daniel F. Cahill, Lynn; Michael S. Crowe, Boxford; Mark Cullinan, Nahant; Russell Fravel, Danvers; George Harvey, Essex; William Jackson, Swampscott; David Ketcham, Hamilton; William Nichols, Wenham; Malcolm Patterson Ed.D., Rowley; Dean Porteous, Beverly; Craig Robison, Topsfield; Joseph Sabella, Manchester-by-the-Sea; Lisa Siewki-Story, Georgetown; Mark A. Small, Rockport; Thomas St. Pierre, Salem; Marcia Sweeney, Marblehead; Melissa J. Teixeira, Gloucester; Ellen Weitzler, Middleton.

On behalf of Commissioner Mitchell, Mr. Jeff Wulfson, Associate Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, offered congratulations to those who worked over the past eleven years and to see this finally new school district come to fruition. He stated that the North Shore deserves a first class agricultural/technical school and is excited to see this opportunity happen and continue the tradition of Essex Aggie with the new school constructed on that campus.

Pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004 Mr. Wulfson will divide the members by lot into 3 groups as nearly equal in number as possible. The terms of the members representing the following cities and towns were assigned terms expiring in January 2012 were Rockport, Nahant, Boxford, Lynnfield, Peabody and Essex. Assigned terms expiring in January 2013 were Topsfield, Hamilton, Swampscott, Beverly, Wenham, Marblehead, Lynn. Assigned terms expiring in January 2014 were Danvers, Salem, Georgetown, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Rowley, Middleton and Gloucester.

Election of Officers

It was moved by Ms. Sweeney to nominate Mr. Harvey for Chairman.

No other nominations were presented and it was moved by Mrs. Sweeney.

A voice vote was taken and Mr. Harvey was unanimously elected as Chairman.

The Recording Secretary was instructed to cast one (1) ballot for Mr. Harvey.

It was moved by Mr. Cahill to nominate Dr. Patterson as Vice-Chairman.

No other nominations were presented and it was moved by Ms. Teixeira to close nominations.

A voice vote was taken and Dr. Patterson was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman.

The Recording Secretary was instructed to cast one (1) ballot for Dr. Patterson to serve as Vice Chairman.

It was moved by Ms. Weitzler to nominate Mr. Bonfanti as Secretary.

No other nominations were presented.

It was moved by Ms. Weitzler to close nominations.

A voice vote was taken and Mr. Bonfanti was unanimously elected as Secretary.

The Chairman instructed the Recording Secretary to cast one (1) ballot for Mr. Bonfanti to serve as Secretary.

Appoint Recording Secretary and District Treasurer

Mrs. Weitzler nominated Ms. Candace Levesque. There were no other nominations presented. Ms. Levesque was unanimously appointed Recording Secretary.

Ms. Sweeney nominated Ms. Claudia Worth. There were no other nominations presented. Ms. Claudia Worth was unanimously appointed District Treasurer.

Report of the Temporary Oversight Board

Mr. Wayne Marquis, Chairman stated that it was a privilege to Chair the Oversight Board from 2004 to June 21, 2010 with very dedicated members of the Board. Mr. Marquis recognized Mrs. Amelia O'Malley, former Superintendent-Director of North Shore Regional Vocational School District, for her commitment to seeing this project complete.

Mr. Harvey and Mr. Cahill recognized advocates Ms. Mary Marrs, Ms. Paula Evans and Ms. Donna Halloran that unfortunately were not able to see this happen

Mrs. O'Malley welcomed members of the new School Committee and wished them all the best. She's looking forward to watching the development of the project and wait to be invited back for the opening.

Review of Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004 and Amendments

Mr. Jack McGlynn summarized the Acts of 2004 and the amendments. There was no discussion.

Mr. McGlynn recognized the entire North Shore Delegation for working so hard to get this merger through the Delegation.

Report from PMA Pursuant of RFS of Architect

Mr. Kevin Nigro reviewed MSBA's Designer Selection Process.

He stated that the Temporary Oversight Board felt the new School Committee should assist in crafting the Request for Services (RFS) Architectural Design Services. In addition, he will work with Superintendent-Directors O'Connell and Bourgeois.

Mr. Nichols asked Mr. Nigro to create a list of anagrams utilized in the design process; Mr. Nigro agreed to do that.

501(c)3 Report

Mr. Dean Porteous reported that a non-profit foundation has been established and has opened an account with Salem Five. Mr. Porteous will meet with Superintendent-Directors O'Connell and Bourgeois and Mr. Bennet for to assign membership and develop procedure for these funds.

Other

A discussion of regular meeting ensued. The Committee decided to have regular meetings once monthly and Thursday was adopted as the regular meeting night.

It was moved by Ms. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Jackson and VOTED unanimously to schedule regular meetings for the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and to alternate the location of meetings between Essex Agricultural and North Shore Tech. A proposed meeting schedule will be available at the next meeting.

It was discussed that Special Meetings may be called and which would begin at 6:30 p.m. with the location to be determined.

Mr. Harvey asked Committee members to submit their biography to Ms. Levesque on or before August 27, 2010. The biographies will be used to assist in making Sub-committee assignments.

Discussion followed regarding the adoption of By-Laws. Until By-Laws are adopted the Committee will operate under Roberts Rules by consensus.

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Bonfanti and seconded by Dr. Anderson and VOTED unanimously to adjourn.

Mr. Harvey declared the meeting adjourned.

The Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School Committee adjourned the Annual Meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary