

**North Adams Public Schools
Special School Committee Meeting
September 18, 2018**

MINUTES

The School Committee of the North Adams Public Schools met Tuesday, September 18, 2018, in the Office of the Superintendent, 37 Main Street, Suite 200, North Adams.

Members present

Mayor Thomas Bernard, chair
Ian Bergeron
Karen Bond
James Holmes
Tara Jacobs

Members not present

Heather Boulger, vice chair
Nicholas Fahey

Also attending

Dr. Barbara Malkas, Superintendent
Carrie Burnett, Business Administrator
Andrew Callahan, Student Representative
Timothy Callahan, Principal, Drury High School
Kimberlee Chappell, Literacy/Title I Coordinator
Sandra Cote, Principal, Greylock Elementary School
Amy Meehan, Principal, Colegrove Park Elementary School
Nancy Rauscher, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Kimberly Roberts-Morandi, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
Thomas Simon, Director of Student Support Services
Carolyn Wallace, Principal, Brayton Elementary School

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bernard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

HEARING OF VISITORS

A. Connor Kelly and Edward Noel

Connor Kelly, North Adams resident, and Edward Noel, of 43 Hathaway Street, North Adams, expressed their concerns about the status of the golf team for the 2018-2019 school year.

The mission of the North Adams Public Schools is to help every child learn every day and empower all students to recognize and optimize their full potential.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

A. DESE 2018-2019 District Review Self-Assessment

Superintendent Malkas facilitated a review and discussion of the Self-Assessment components of the DESE District Review, including:

- Leadership and Growth
- Financial and Asset Management

Chair Bernard suspended Robert's Rules for this agenda item to allow full participation by all committee members, the committee's student representative, administration, and staff in attendance. The group provided input and came to consensus on the ratings for each indicator as outlined in the Self-Assessment for "Leadership and Growth" and "Financial and Asset Management."

Chair Bernard and Superintendent Malkas thanked those in attendance for their participation. Superintendent Malkas indicated that the results would be incorporated into a draft Self-Assessment for the DESE District Review to be presented to the committee at the October School Committee meeting.

B. Update to Parent Orientation

Superintendent Malkas shared the revised schedule for the upcoming Parent/Guardian Orientation at Drury High School. Superintendent Malkas noted that the date had changed from September 20 to September 19.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bernard indicated that there was no more business to come before the committee.

It was **moved** by committee member Holmes and **seconded** by committee member Bergeron to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes	5
Nays	0
Result	Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Rauscher
Administrative Assistant
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