
JOINT SPECIAL SCHOOL SUB-COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2022
CITY HALL, ROOM 208

A meeting of the Joint Special School Sub-Committee was held at the City Hall, Room 208 on Friday, May 27, 2022. Mr. Dowd called the meeting to order at **12:10 pm**.

Present: Richard Dowd, Lori Wilshire, Ms. Bishop, Ms. Raymond, Ms. Darling, Dr. McKinney, Superintendent of Schools, and Lisa Gingras, Athletic Director

Discussion involved the possible naming recommendation for the new Middle School. The process discussed was for this sub-committee to select a possible name for the new Middle School and pass that recommendation on to the JSSBC for a possible recommendation to the Board of Education.

Alderman Dowd pointed out that final naming rights for a new school resides with the Nashua Board of Education.

After discussion to ensure the requirements of Board of Education Policy FF were met, Chairman Dowd made a motion to possibly name the new Middle School after Brian S. McCarthy (former President of the Nashua Board of Aldermen who died in office) due to his extensive contributions to the building and renovation of almost all Nashua City Schools including the two Nashua High Schools, Broad Street Elementary, Sunset Heights Elementary, Charlotte Ave Elementary, and for establishing the current Middle School Project. A full list of schools that Brian was involved with will be compiled by Superintendent McKinney.

After a brief discussion, a unanimous vote approved the motion, and it was to be sent on to the JSSBC.

Discussion followed regarding the Board of Education action, and it was determined that the Board of Education should have the sole action on the naming of the new school and their naming committee was meeting on June 6, 2022.

It was determined that BOE action should be the only action going forward and hopefully any action would be taken prior to the tentative groundbreaking for the new School on Friday, June 24th at 10am. (That groundbreaking has been delayed for various reasons).

Additional discussion followed with Athletic Director on new school colors and a new mascot, but no final decision was made as any action on those topics rests with the BOE.

No non-public was necessary.

Chairman Dowd moved to adjourn. So voted unanimously at 1:00 p.m.

Submitted by Tara C. Kinsella