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Interim Superintendent of Schools
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REGULAR MEETING / PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Keith Middle School, Steven De Rossi Community Room
225 Hathaway Blvd., New Bedford, Massachusetts

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2023

4. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. General Updates
 - Summer Programming
 - School Readiness
 - Parent Notifications
- B. Superintendent Entry Plan

5. OTHER REPORTS

- A. Finance & Operations Reports
- B. Personnel Report
- C. Sub-Committee Reports
- D. School Committee Reports

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Recommendation and Approval to Return Control to the City of New Bedford the following buildings:
Horatio A. Kempton Elementary School, 135 Shawmut Avenue and the former William H. Taylor Elementary School, 620 Brock Avenue
- B. Discussion to appoint Dr. Matthew Joseph to the following position in the Office of School Performance:
Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the following purposes:

- A. Motion and vote to meet in executive session pursuant to Massachusetts General Law chapter 30A, section 21(a) for purpose (3) to conduct a strategy with respect to collective bargaining and negotiations with union personnel:
 - 1. Federation of Paraprofessionals
- B. Motion and vote to meet in executive session pursuant to Massachusetts General Law chapter 30A, section 21(a) for purpose (2) to conduct a strategy session in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel, specifically:



1. Consideration and vote for an employment agreement with New Bedford Public Schools and Dr. Matthew Joseph to serve as acting Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning for the Office of School Performance.

9. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- A. Ratification vote in respect to contract negotiations with union personnel:
 1. Federation of Paraprofessionals

- B. Ratification vote in respect to contract negotiations with non-union personnel:
 1. Mr. Matthew Joseph to serve as acting Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning for the Office of School Performance.

10. ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting: Monday, September 11, 2023

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