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**NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
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**Andrew O'Leary**  
*Superintendent of Schools*  
*Secretary, School Committee*

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, October 7, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.**  
Keith Middle School, Steven De Rossi Community Room  
225 Hathaway Blvd., New Bedford, Massachusetts

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# AGENDA

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance

## 2. ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

## 3. MINUTES

- Regular Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes – August 12, 2024

## 4. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. General Updates
- B. NBPS Accountability
- C. Superintendent Goals

## 5. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

## 6. OTHER REPORTS

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

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Request for Out of State Travel (administrator/staff):
  1. Thomas Tarpey, Director, Athletics, request for approval to travel to the National Athletic Directors Conference 2024 to be held on December 13 through December 17, 2024 in Austin, TX (Approximate cost \$1,346 local).
  2. Steve Sentes, Wrestling Coach, NBHS, request for approval to travel to the George Bossi Lowell Holiday Wrestling Tournament to be held on December 20 and 21, 2024 in Lowell, MA (Approximate cost \$0, transportation paid from fundraiser funds).
  3. Bretton Zinger, Teacher, NBHS, request for approval to travel to the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Fall Conference to be held November 4, 2024 at Columbia University in New York, NY (Approximate cost \$0, Vice President of organization)



## 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the following purposes:

- A. Motion and vote to meet in executive session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30A, section 21(a), for the following purposes:
  1. Purpose (4) to discuss the deployment of security personnel or devices, or strategies with respect thereto:
    - a) Safety and Security
  2. Purpose (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and negotiations with union personnel:
    - b) Federation of Paraprofessionals

## 10. ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting: Monday, November 4, 2024

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