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AMENDED (5/12/25)

PUBLIC HEARING / REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 12, 2025 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. PUBLIC HEARING FY 2026 BUDGET

- Vote to OPEN the Public Hearing for the FY2026 New Bedford Public Schools (NBPS) District Budget
- PUBLIC COMMENT regarding FY2026 NBPS District Budget
- Vote to CLOSE the Public Hearing for the FY 2026 NBPS District Budget and Return to the Regular Meeting of the School Committee.

REGULAR MEETING

4. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. General Updates
- B. College & Career Readiness

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. Consideration of approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 NBPS District Budget. Three separate votes needed.
 - 1. Vote for FY2026 Net School Spending Budget Amount
 - 2. Vote for FY2026 Non-Net School Spending Amount
 - 3. Vote for Total Fiscal Year 2026 Budget
- B. Consideration and vote of the second reading of the following policies affected by the Massachusetts Association of School Committee's (MASC) Updated Policy Manual:



POLICIES ADDED, REMOVED, REVIEWED and/or UPDATED

1.	FILE: DN	Management of Surplus Supplies
2.	FILE: EFC	Universal Free School Meals
3.	FILE: EFE	Civil Rights Complaint Policy for Child Nutrition Programs
4.	FILE: EHAA	District Security Relating to Technology
5.	FILE: EHB	Data and Records Retention
6.	FILE: GBEE	Personnel Use of Technology
7.	FILE: IGB	Student Services Programs
8.	FILE: IHBA	Student Services Program
9.	FILE: IHBF	Homebound Instruction
10.	. FILE: IJND	Access to Digital Resources
11.	. FILE: IJNDB	Use of Technology
12.	FILE: IJNDC	Acceptable Use of Digital Resources
13.	FILE: IJOA	Field Trips
14.	. FILE: JICJ	Student Use of Technology in School
15.	FILE: KDC	Community Use of Digital Resources
16.	FILE: KDCB	District Website and Social Media

- C. Request for Out of State Travel (administrator/staff)
 - Request for approval to travel to the TNI National Institute Educator Conference-Long Live Math West. Conference will be held July 14, 2025 through July 17, 2025 in Scottsdale AZ. Attendees are as follows: William Manchester, OSP/CDAM, Daniel Mckoy, OSP/CDAM, Sarah Bol, SPED/MEQ, Justin Mare, Jack Simoes and Julie Cook HS/MS teachers (Approximate cost \$1,548.40)

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 (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and negotiations with union personnel:
 - New Bedford Educators Association (NBEA) Unit A
 - NBEA Unit A Specialist
 - NBEA Unit B
 - Federation of Paraprofessional

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