

**OFFICE OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
NEW BEDFORD, MA**

January 3, 2005

**REGULAR MEETING of the NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL
COMMITTEE to be held on MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY
10, 2005 in the Walsh Auditorium of the E.R. HATHAWAY
SCHOOL, 256 Court St, New Bedford, MA at 7:00 PM.**

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL

A. Election of a Vice-Chairman for 2005.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

4. REPORTS

- A. Facilities Report for months of November/December 2004.**
- B. Schedule of Bills from the Business Office for the month of November 2004.**
- C. Financial Statement from the Business Office.**

- D. Superintendent's Report**
- E. Individual School Committee Member Reports**
- F. Report from the sub-committee on the composite and individual evaluations of the Superintendent for the period of November 2003 through November 2004.**

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Request approval of the Three Year (2004-2007) Technology Plan for the New Bedford Public Schools as tabled from the previous meeting.**
- B. Request from Beverly Bizzarro, Headmaster/NBHS, for permission to allow the students enrolled in the EMT program at NBHS to ride the ambulance with the City of New Bedford's Emergency Medical Services and/or other local ambulance services.**

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request authorization for the following transfers of funds:**
 - ✓ **NBHS – transfer \$1610 from Acct 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 to \$4001-2210-31-505-00-5026**
 - ✓ **Business Office - transfer \$40,000 from 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 to 4001-4300-00-000-02-4715 to cover HVAC expenses**
 - ✓ **Business Office - transfer \$8,900 from 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 to 4001-3510-00-600-00-8002 to cover athletic equipment costs**
 - ✓ **Business Office - transfer \$14,400 from 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 to 4001-2357-00-000-00-6008 to cover professional development services and contractual operations**
 - ✓ **Mt. Pleasant – transfer \$600 from 4001-22210-11-105-00-5030 to 4001-4230-11-105-11-4049**
 - ✓ **Computer Services Dept – transfer \$20,000 from 4001-2455-00-000-00-5027 (Instructional Tech. Computer Supplies) to 4001-4450-00-000-00-5027 (Maint. Computer Supplies)**

- B. Request approval to declare as surplus property in accordance with School Department Policy DN a recommended list of equipment located at Ottiwell & Lincoln Schools.**
- C. Request authorization for the Sea Lab Program to accept a donation of \$1200 for a Cold Water Tank and \$500 for Water Cycle Simulators from the Board of Managers of the New Bedford Day Nursery.**
- D. Request approval to accept and implement the following projects for the 2004-05 school year:**
- **ADVANCED PLACEMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM = \$25,000**
 - **SPEL ELECTRONIC PORTFOLIOS FOR MCAS ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT = \$600**
- E. Request approval to submit a project proposal entitled MA 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS CHILDREN & YOUTH – DISABILITIES in the amount of \$40,000 for the 2004-05 school year.**
- F. REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE:**
- 1) Request from a Building Custodian for a leave of absence, without pay, from January 10-February 25, 2005, for medical reasons. Recommend approval.**
 - 2) Request from a Teacher/NBHS for an extension to a leave of absence, without pay, from December 18-January 21, 2005, for medical reasons. Recommend approval.**
 - 3) Request from a Bus Driver in the Transportation Department, for an extension to a leave of absence, without pay, until January 20, 2005, for medical reasons. Recommend approval.**

G. REQUESTS FOR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL:

- 1) Request from Atty. J. Mark Treadup, School Committee member, for authorization to attend the National School Boards Association Conference in San Diego, CA from April 16-19, 2005.**
- 2) Request from George Gordon, Music Teacher/Keith Middle School, for permission to travel to Baltimore, MD from January 10-11, 2005 as a pre-trip for the All-City Marching Band's participation in the Preakness Parade at no cost to the local budget except for a substitute. Recommend approval.**
- 3) Request from Michael Florio, Advisor/Great Outdoors Club/NBHS, for permission to take the club members on a ski trip to Mt. Cranmore in North Conway, NH on January 15, 2005 with all costs incurred by the club. Recommend approval.**
- 4) Request from Beverly Bizzarro, Headmaster/NBHS, for permission to allow 12 students and 4 chaperones to travel to London & Paris during the spring vacation week (April 15-24, 2005) at no cost to the local budget. Recommend approval.**

7. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Written motion from Ward 4 Councillor Joseph Fortes, requesting that the Superintendent of Schools use teachers in the various libraries throughout the city for the children in after school programs.**
- B. Communication from Linda Rapoza, Principal/Winslow School, announcing that Sarah Flood, a 6th grader at Winslow, is one of five National Finalists in a Storyworks Magazine Contest for her character creation.**

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

9. ADJOURN

**NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2005
HAYDEN-MCFADDEN SCHOOL**

**THE FOLLOWING REPORT OF APPOINTMENTS BY THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, WITH APPROPRIATE
RECOMMENDATIONS, IS SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Agenda, January 10, 2005

A: PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Joanne Dakin

School Adjustment Counselor assigned to the Paul Rodrigues Administration Building for the 2004/05 school year. This position is funded through Project Results.

Anne Marie Dufresne

Special Education Elementary Teacher assigned to the Lincoln Elementary School for the 2004/05 school year. Waiver of certification pending with the DOE.

Dr. Edward Herbert

School Psychologist assigned to the Paul Rodrigues Administration Building for the 2004/05 school year. This position is funded through Project Results.

Nicholas Palumbo

English Immersion Teacher in the SEI Program assigned to the New Bedford High School for the 2004/05 school year. This position is funded through Title II A.

Christian Stevens

Math Teacher assigned to the New Bedford High School for the 2004/05 school year. Waiver of certification pending with the DOE.

B: CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

NONE

C: PARAPROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

NONE

D: RESIGNATIONS

Peter J. Cabral resigned from the position of permanent bus operator, effective January 3, 2005.

Wanda Garcia-Rodriguez resigned from the position of permanent paraprofessional at the Hannigan School, effective January 3, 2005.

Laurel Lincoln resigned from the position of Special Education Teacher at the Roosevelt Middle School, effective December 22, 2004.

Jeffrey Mercure has rescinded his resignation as a permanent building custodian, first shift, at the New Bedford High School.

CHANGE

Dawn Pagliarini, School Psychologist, is changing resignation date to December 13, 2004.

E: RETIREMENTS

Demetra Yotides is retiring from the position of 3 hour cashier at the New Bedford High School, effective December 31, 2004.

CHANGE

Jane Brightman is retiring from the position as a second grade teacher at the Casimir Pulaski School, effective December 1, 2004. This is a change from resignation.

F: TRANSFERS

Jo-Ann Dabrowski, permanent clerk-typist, transferring from the Ottiwell School to the Office of Human Resources in the Paul Rodrigues Administration Building.

Peggy Potvin, permanent paraprofessional, involuntarily transferring from the West Side Alternative Middle/Senior High School to the Normandin Middle School, along with the student she is working with in a Special Education Resource Class – Secondary.

G: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS

John Almeida Jr.

Allison Lacasse

Mark Balestracci

Melissa Mandeville

Casey Cetenich

Krystle Nowak

G: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS (continued)

Celia dos Santos

Sarah Otis

Carlina Ferreira

Elizabeth Treadup

Gayle Freitas

Lindsey Wilson

H: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE APPOINTMENTS

Jazlee Arcelay

Robert Dias

Magdalin Cabon

Melisa Foster

I: SUBSTITUTE LUNCH AIDE APPOINTMENTS

Angel Carbonell

Melissa Masse

Vivian Evora

Aimee St. Pierre

Eileen King

J: ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Todd Bates

**Part-time Teacher Evening
Extension at the New Bedford
High School**

Brian Scott

**Part-time Teacher Evening
Extension at the New Bedford
High School**

K: EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY PROGRAM APPOINTMENTS

LINCOLN SCHOOL

Donna Kirby-Blanchette

**Math Wizards and Marrying ELA &
Math through Technology**

Pauline Lopes

**Bookworms and Marrying ELA &
Math through Technology**

NEW BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

George Gordon

Assistant Band Club Advisor

ROTC: Joseph Guevara

Raiders Club Advisor

K: EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY PROGRAM APPOINTMENT

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NEW BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL (continued)

Isaiah Houtman

AHANA Club Advisor

Jane Jacobsen

Ambassadors Club Advisor

Nancy Johnston

Photography Club Advisor

Rachel Jupin

Book Club Advisor

Bruce Lackey

Drama Club Advisor

Ronald LeBlanc

Computer Club Advisor

Joann Maura

Future Teachers Club Advisor

ROTC: Lt. Col. Kevin McGovern

Rifle Club Advisor

Amy Mersch

Dance Choral Club Advisor

Loretta Moniz

Auditor Club Advisor

SWIFT SCHOOL

Kristine Hebert

Walking Club Advisor

Debra St. Pierre

Cheerleading Club Advisor

L: ASSIGNMENTS

Doris DaCosta is being reassigned to working with a student for a portion of the day in a Special Education Classroom at the New Bedford High School.

Elizabeth Edwards is being assigned as a Secondary Special Education Teacher at the West Side Alternative Jr./Sr. High School.

Thomas Halstead is being assigned as a Secondary Teacher based out of the Paul Rodrigues Administration Building.