

OFFICE OF  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
NEW BEDFORD, MA

November 10, 2005

REGULAR MEETING of the NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE to be held on MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14, 2005 in the MARY WALSH AUDITORIUM of the E.R. HATHAWAY SCHOOL, 256 Court Street, New Bedford, MA at 7:00 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION immediately following.



1. ROLL CALL

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3. REPORT OF PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

4. REPORTS

- A. Financial Statement from the Business Office.
- B. Superintendent's Report
- C. Report of the Chairperson/School Committee Members

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)

## 6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request approval of the following student handbooks as amended for the 2005-06 school year:
- Rodman
  - Dunbar
- B. Request approval to submit the following project proposals for the 2005-06 school year:
- GREATER N.B. YOUTH COUNCIL IN-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM (WEST SIDE WORKS) = \$69,865
  - GED TEST CENTER SUPPORT = \$4,088
  - LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT MINI-GRANT = \$20,000
  - GREATER N.B. YOUTH COUNCIL IN-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM (STONE BY STONE) = \$26,284
  - ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES - SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM = \$95,555
  - PROJECT FOCUS ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOLS = \$17,200
- C. Request approval to accept and implement the following projects for the 2005-06 school year:
- ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES - SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM = \$95,555
  - YOUTH ENTITLED TO SUCCESS - NewBAD Fund = \$2500
- D. Request approval to declare as surplus property in accordance with School Department Policy DN a recommended list of equipment located in the Adult Education Department @ Hillman Street, at the Hathaway, Parker, Campbell, Rodman, and New Bedford High Schools, the Food Service Office @ PRAB and vehicles in the Maintenance Department.
- E. Request from Lawrence Oliveira, Business Manager, for authorization to transfer the following funds:
- transfer \$10,000 from Acct 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 (insurance) to Acct 4001-7300-00-000-00-8005 (vehicle acquisition)
  - transfer \$9,000 from Acct 4001-3600-00-000-00-4033 (worker's compensation) to Acct 4001-5200-00-000-00-6001 (school security)
  - transfer \$42,000 from Acct 4001-3302-02-00-05-4045 (transportation) to Acct 4001-2357-00-000-00-6008 (professional development)
  - transfer \$3600 from Acct 4001-3600-00-000-00-4033 (police detail) to Acct 4001-1110-00-000-00-6006 (dues & subscriptions)

- transfer \$30,000 from Acct 4001-3510-31-505-00-4045 (Athletic High School Transportation) to Acct 4002-3510-31-205-00-3003 (Athletic Transportation Other OT)
  - WINSLOW SCHOOL – transfer \$3,000 from Acct 4001-2430-11-140-00-5026 (classroom supplies) to Acct 4001-2410-11-140-00-5030 (textbooks)
  - WINSLOW SCHOOL - transfer \$500 from Acct 4001-2430-11-140-00-5026 (classroom supplies) to Acct 4001-2451-11-140-00-8006 (classroom instructional technology)
  - ASHLEY SCHOOL – transfer \$1000 from Acct 4001-2430-11-010-00-5026 (classroom supplies) to Acct 4001-2420-11-010-00-8002 (school equipment)
- F. Request from Simone Bourgeois for authorization to accept on behalf of the Sea Lab Program, monetary donations from Mr. & Mrs. Paul Boutin (general use); Atty. J. Mark Treadup (scholarship) and Ms. Rosemary Saber (general use). Recommend approval.
- G. Request from Mary Gleghorn, Principal/Hayden-McFadden School for authorization to accept a donation of \$200 from Steven & Pauline Rooney to purchase books for the school’s library in memory of their daughter, Jennifer Rooney. Recommend approval.
- H. Request from Jo-Anne Hodgson, Principal/Lincoln School, for authorization to accept a donation of \$500 from the Mobil Corporation to be used to purchase trade books for the school library. Recommend approval.
- I. REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE:
- 1) Request from a Cafeteria Worker, Carney Academy, for a leave of absence, without pay, from November 7, 2005 for the remainder of the 2005-06 school year, for medical reasons. Recommend approval.
  - 2) Request from a Teacher, Dunbar School, for a leave of absence, without pay, from November 7-December 31, 2005, for medical reasons. Recommend approval.

J. REQUESTS FOR USE OF FACILITIES:

- 1) Request from Easter Seals of Massachusetts for a waiver of the rental fee or a portion of in conjunction with their use of the gyms at NBHS for their annual Volleyball Fundraiser on March 19, 2006. Recommend denial.
- 2) Request from the Opportunity Center for continued permission to use the facilities at the Hayden-McFadden School as an emergency shelter. Recommend approval.
- 3) Request from the Recreation Department for permission to hold their After School Programs at the Hayden-McFadden, Gomes, Campbell, Parker and Pacheco Schools from the end of October 2005 until the middle of April 2006 as well as use of the three (3) middle schools for evening basketball programs. Recommend approval of use of those schools with 2<sup>nd</sup> shift custodians.

K. REQUESTS FOR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL:

- 1) Request from Paula Bailey, Principal/Winslow School, for permission to allow her 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes to take a field trip to the Haffenreffer Museum in Bristol, RI on December 7<sup>th</sup> with all expenses defrayed by the Student Activity Account. Recommend approval.
- 2) Request from Beverly Bizzarro, Headmaster/NBHS, for permission to allow a group of 33 students and 7 chaperones from the World Language Department to take a field trip to Italy from April 15-23, 2006 with all expenses incurred by the participants. Recommend approval.

L. REQUESTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FLYERS, ETC:

- 1) Request from the Greater N.B. Community Health Center for permission to distribute WIC (Women, Infant & Children) flyers throughout the elementary schools. Recommend approval.

- 2) Request from the Standard-Times for permission to distribute throughout the elementary schools informational flyers announcing an upcoming fundraiser to help support the Neediest Families Fund. Recommend approval.

## 7. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Communication from Jeff Cox on behalf of Drug Corps International.
- B. Communication from Councillor-at-Large, Denis Lawrence, Jr., relative to the Andrea McCoy Field.
- C. Communication from Dr. Lawrence Finnerty, Asst Supt/Special Services, relative to the Municipal Medicaid Direct Service Claims & Municipal Medicaid Administrative Activity Claim Reimbursement.

## 8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The School Committee will take a roll call vote to adjourn and go into Executive Session, without returning to Open Session, to discuss the following item(s) of business:

- A. The Superintendent will discuss items under negotiations.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2005  
E.R. HATHAWAY SCHOOL

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

Agenda, November 14, 2005

A: PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Kevin Aguiar	Guidance Counselor at West Side Middle/Senior High School
Admir DaSilva	Sheltered English Immersion Portuguese Teacher at Roosevelt Middle School
Denise Gaudette	Director – CAAP Program
Andrew B. O’Leary	Director of Federal & State Aided Programs. Waiver of certification is requested.

B: CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Charlene Braga	Provisional Building Custodian, multi shift floater, assigned to Roosevelt Middle School
Cynthia M. Correia	Provisional 3-hour Cashier at Gomes School
Michel Ferguson	Provisional 3- hour Cashier at New Bedford High School

C: PARAPROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Gretchen M. Rodrigues	Permanent Paraprofessional assigned to the Gomes School in a SPED Early Childhood Class
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Susan Rogers

Declined position of 5-hour Lunch Aide at the St. Mary's Parochial School

#### D: RESIGNATIONS

Rosalina C. Alves has resigned from the position of Paraprofessional, working with a student for a portion of the day, at Carney Academy, effective October 26, 2005.

Yolanda Camacho has resigned from the position of Provisional Temporary Clerk Typist at New Bedford High School, effective November 4, 2005.

Antonio DeMatos has resigned from the position of English Immersion Portuguese Teacher at Roosevelt Middle School, effective October 14, 2005.

Dennis Golden has resigned as the Winter Weight Room Coach at New Bedford High School for winter of 2005-06 to accept the position of Boys Assistant Basketball Coach at New Bedford High School.

Melissa Medeiros has resigned from her position of Permanent Intermittent Cafeteria Helper assigned to PRAB, effective October 31, 2005.

Leslie J. Oldani has resigned from her position as Paraprofessional at the New Bedford Global Learning Charter School, effective November 7, 2005.

Ana Rivera has resigned from her position of Paraprofessional assigned to Roosevelt Middle School, effective October 21, 2005.

Karen Zimmerman has resigned from the position of Biology Teacher at New Bedford High School, effective June 30, 2005.

#### E: RETIREMENTS

Rosemarie Christopher is retiring from the position of Literacy Coach at DeValles School, effective December 31, 2005.

Bruce J. Lima is retiring from the position of Home Visiting/  
Attendance Officer, effective December 31, 2005.

Joan E. Williams is retiring from the position of Business Education  
Teacher at New Bedford High School, effective January 27, 2006.

#### CHANGE

Robert Fortes, Building Custodian at Normandin Middle School, is  
changing his retirement date from November 30, 2005 to March 1,  
2006.

#### F: TRANSFERS

NONE

#### G: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS

Stacey M. Anderson

Melisa A. Avila

Kevin R. Burgess

Joseph J. Calden

Kristen Casey

Melissa M. Costa

Antonio DeMatos

Betty Furness

Daniel J. Gauthier

Mary E. Lobo-Dorsey

Daniel Mahan

Melanie Pereira

Ann-Marie Quaintance

Roseann Radosevich

Eileen P. Sullivan

Alexandra J. Tolischus

Janet Vachon

#### H: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE APPOINTMENTS

Donald J. Chausse (Mail Aide)



## I: SUBSTITUTE LUNCH AIDE APPOINTMENTS

Laura L. Beaudoin

Julie Benoit

Lisa A. Borges

## J: ASSIGNMENTS

Robert Damasio is being assigned as a Permanent Building Custodian, second shift, at Hayden McFadden School. This is a change of employment status from permanent senior at Normandin Middle School.

Diane Metthe is being assigned to the position of Acting Elementary Special Education Supervisor for the 2005-06 school year. This position is funded by Project Results.

Matthew Pacheco is being assigned as a Provisional Temporary Building Custodian, second shift, at Normandin Middle School.

Kathleen Rogers, Paraprofessional, is being assigned to Hayden McFadden School, working with a student for a portion of the day, due to the elimination of her permanent position.

## CHANGE:

Sheila Sweeney-Medeiros and Stephanie Koska, who were part-time job sharing Elementary Art Teachers, are being reinstated as full-time Elementary Art Teachers.

## K: ELIMINATION – BUDGET CONSTRAINTS

Marion Groom's position as a Provisional senior clerk-typist for Safe Harbors was eliminated.

## L: ATHLETIC PROGRAM APPOINTMENTS

Lawrence Burns

Part-time Intramural Instructor at  
Lincoln School

Craig DeMelo

Part-Time Intramural Instructor at  
Roosevelt Middle School

Kathleen Gaipo	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Lincoln School
Kelly Monte	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Roosevelt Middle School
Jared Oldham	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Roosevelt Middle School
Rebecca Rodrigues	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Roosevelt Middle School
Daniel Roveda	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Keith Middle School
Lisa Thibeault	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Roosevelt Middle School
Jeremy Tilton	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at Roosevelt Middle School
Charles Vieira	Part-Time Intramural Instructor at DeValles School

M: ADULT EDUCATION

ABE/ESOL INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

Erin L. Berriault	Substitute Teacher
Jamie Camacho-Westgate	Part-Time Volunteer Facilitator
Stephanie Linhares	Part-Time Teacher
Shirley Valente	Substitute Teacher

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Valerie Alves	Part-Time Teacher
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## N: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### Ashley School

Barbara Connulty	MCAS Support Club Advisor
Jane Frates	Reading with Technology Club Advisor
Richard Medeiros	Reading with Technology Club Advisor
Doreen Pike-Mattos	Sports Club Advisor

### Brooks School

Christina Andrade	Grade 6 ELA Tutorial Club and Grade 6 Math Tutorial Club Advisor
Kimberly Calheta	Grade 6 Math Tutorial Club Advisor
Deborah Camacho	Grade 6 ELA Tutorial Club Advisor
Margaret Jones	Grade 4 Math Tutorial Club
Lisa Lavimoniere	Grade 4 Math Tutorial Club
Donna Lewin	Grade 3 Reading Tutorial Club

### DeValles School

Maria I. Caneira	Healthy Happy Kids Club Advisor
Louise Coggeshall	Great Books Club Advisor
Priscilla Fellows	Math is Fun Club Advisor
Kathleen Texeira	Student Council Club Advisor
Maureen Vieira	C.A.R.E. Club Advisor

Gomes School

Susan Baroody

Show Chorus Club Advisor

Stephanie Conde

Homework Club Advisor

Frances Kain

Drama Club Advisor

Lisa Pope-Garrison

Math Homework Club Advisor

Hayden McFadden

Athena Adams

Math Homework Club Advisor

Catherine DeRossi

School Service Club Advisor

Kelly Fernandes

Reading/Literacy Club Advisor

Dennis Gallant

Chess Club Advisor

Denise Toohey

Student Newspaper Club Advisor

Daniel Viegas

Reading/Literacy Club Advisor

Keith Middle School

Colleen Arruda

Anti-Bullying Club Advisor

Christopher Dietz

Band Club and Chorus Club  
Advisor

John Dressel

Drama Club, Treasurer (Club  
Accounts), and Yearbook Club  
Advisor

Judith Duval

Art/Design Club Advisor

Patricia Hickman

Honor Society Club Advisor

Yvonne Meeh-Sabourin

Health Club Advisor

Lincoln School

Donna Kirby-Blanchette

Math Magic Club Advisor

Pauline Lopes

The Smoothies (Reading fluency)  
Club Advisor

Normandin Middle School

Brenda Folger

Yoga Club Advisor

Phillips Avenue School

Kelly El Koury

Student Council Club Advisor

O: NEW BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Naim Benavente-Alegria

MCAS Academic Support Program  
Math Teacher

P: FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDED PROGRAMS

Hilda Ascencio

Part-time Math/Science Support  
Specialist funded through the  
Parenting Teen Program

Sandra Galindo

Student Assistant/Reconnecting  
Youth Facilitator funded through  
CAAP Program

Caroline Gracia

Part-time Reading First  
Interventionist at Carney  
Academy funded through the  
Reading First Grant

Marion Groom

Grants Facilitator/Specialist  
assigned to the Assistant to the  
Superintendent for Data and  
Assessment at PRAB funded  
through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant

Q: SUBSTITUTE NURSE APPOINTMENTS

Rosemarie B. Burns

Joan D. Wheelden