

OFFICE OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
NEW BEDFORD, MA

October 25, 2007

SPECIAL MEETING of the New Bedford School Committee to be held on **MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 29, 2007** in the **COMMUNITY ROOM** of **KEITH MIDDLE SCHOOL**, 225 Hathaway Blvd, New Bedford, MA at **6:00 P.M.** **EXECUTIVE SESSION** to follow.

REGULAR MEETING immediately following with **EXECUTIVE SESSION** to follow thereafter.

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SPECIAL MEETING
Items of Business

1. ROLL CALL

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Update on Community Focus Groups
- B. Members criteria dissemination

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

REGULAR MEETING
Items of Business

1. ROLL CALL

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

4. REPORTS:

- A. Schedule of Bills from the Business Office for the month of September 2007.**
- B. Financial Statement from the Business Office.**
- C. Facilities Report for the month of September 2007.**

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Request approval to enter into an Administrative Cost Agreement between the City of New Bedford and the New Bedford Public Schools as tabled from the previous meeting.**
- B. Request approval to adopt Policy IIBI – COMPENSATORY EDUCATION (TITLE I) as amended for inclusion in the school district’s Policy Manual as tabled from the previous meeting.**

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request from KOOL SMILES for permission to do dental presentations as well as screenings in the schools at no cost to the school district.**
- B. Request approval of the following Student Handbooks as amended for the 2007-08 school year:**
 - Dunbar School**
 - Ashley School**
 - Ottiwell School**
 - Hannigan School**
 - Gomes School**
- C. Request authorization to transfer the following funds:**
 - SPED OFFICE – transfer \$240,000 to/from various accounts due to increased tuition costs.**

- **GOMES SCHOOL** – transfer \$2,000 from Acct 4001-2410-11-063-00-5030 to Acct 4001-2455-11-063-00-5027
- **HATHAWAY SCHOOL** – transfer \$1500 from Acct 4001-2415-11-075-00-5031 to Acct 4001-2440-11-075-00-6008
- **PULASKI SCHOOL** – transfer \$175.34 from Textbook Account to various Pulaski School accounts

D. Request from Debra Letendre, Principal/Swift School, for authorization to accept a donation of \$38.17 from Target’s Take Charge of Education School Fundraising Program. Recommend approval.

E. REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

- 1) **Request from a secondary school Clerk for an extension to a leave of absence, without pay, from December 3-April 1, 2008, under the Family & Medical Leave Act. Recommend approval.**

F. REQUESTS FOR USE OF FACILITIES:

- 1) **Request from Pamela Oliveira, Co-Chairperson/Fellow of Buzzards Bay Writing Project, for permission to utilize the community room, six classrooms and a computer room at Keith Middle School for a professional development conference on Saturday, March 29, 2008, from 8-3 PM with a waiver of the rental fee only. Recommend approval.**

G. REQUESTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FLYERS, ETC.:

- 1) **Request from the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra for permission to distribute informational flyers throughout the schools announcing their Young People’s Concerts for 2008. Recommend approval.**

H. Request from the New Bedford Kiwanis for continued permission to distribute books to 3rd grade classes as part of their RIF program/project. Recommend approval.

7. COMMUNICATIONS: (none)

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 items of business:

- A. The Superintendent will discuss items under negotiations**

**NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2007
COMMUNITY ROOM @ KEITH MIDDLE SCHOOL**

THESE PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS AS INTERVIEWED AND RECOMMENDED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT BY PRINCIPALS AND/OR INTERVIEWING COMMITTEES AND APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT ARE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Agenda, October 29, 2007

A: PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Gina Femino	Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Gomes School
Kira A. Gabriel	Grade One Teacher assigned to DeValles School
Rachel L. Martin	Kindergarten Teacher assigned to Ottiwell School
Amy L. Mello	Sheltered English Immersion – Spanish Teacher assigned to Roosevelt Middle School – waiver of certification is requested
Carolyn A. Peckham	Grade One Teacher assigned to Campbell School

B: CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Kathleen Magalhaes	4-hour Cafeteria Helper assigned to Carney Academy
Maria Martins	4-hour Cafeteria Helper assigned to Keith Middle School

C: PARAPROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Sonia S. Bernardo	Paraprofessional assigned to Campbell School working with a student for a portion of the day
Ruth A. Conceicao	Paraprofessional assigned to Keith Middle School working with a student for a portion of the day
Morgan L. Rivet	Paraprofessional assigned to Normandin Middle School working with a student for a portion of the day

D: RESIGNATIONS

NONE

E: RETIREMENTS

Doris Bentley is retiring from the position of School Nurse at Pulaski School, effective November 24, 2007.

Michel G. Daigle is retiring from the position of Guidance Counselor at New Bedford High School, effective January 31, 2008.

Irene Duarte is retiring from the position of Clerk/Typist at Hathaway School, effective January 3, 2008.

Kathleen R. Knutsen is retiring from the position of Facilitator in the Title I Preschool Office, effective February 29, 2008.

Ruth Roberts is retiring from the position of Lunch Aide at DeValles School, effective January 5, 2008.

F: TRANSFERS

Elizabeth J. Magiera is transferring from the position of School Nurse at Winslow School to School Nurse at Keith Middle School (5 day float).

G: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS

Tammy J. Canastra-Callahan

Kamile Khazan

Laura L. McDaniel

Jessica D. Raimondi

Germana T. Rodrigues

William E. Schuler

Julia Q. Smith

H: SUBSTITUTE NURSE APPOINTMENTS

Deborah A. DeBortoli

I: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE APPOINTMENTS

Jane D'Amour

Jennifer M. Oliveira

Christie D. Rebeiro

Pedro Ruiz

J: SUBSTITUTE LUNCH AIDE APPOINTMENTS

NONE

K: ASSIGNMENTS

NONE

L: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Brooks School

Kaitlin Belli

Intramural Instructor

David Novo

Intramural Instructor

Congdon School

Eileen Cassidy

'All About Me' Club Advisor

Denise Wood

Computer Club Advisor

DeValles School

Mary-Ellen Costa

Intramural Instructor

Hayden McFadden School

Dawn Almeida

Math Club Advisor

Beth Andrews

Reading in Content Areas Club Advisor

Catherine DeRossi

School Service Club Advisor

Kelly Fernandes

Reading Club Advisor

Kerri Rodrigues

Math Club Advisor

Daniel Viegas

Reading Club Advisor

Parker School

Lisa Melo

Open Response Club Advisor

Darryl Murphy II

Intramural Instructor

Robin Operach

**Short Answer & Problem Solving Club
Advisor**

Tamara Wells-Reynolds

80% Club Advisor and Science Club Advisor

Taylor School

Kim Hudon

Science Club Advisor

Louise Wheeler

Chess Club Advisor

Winslow School

Linda Lemieux

Math Games/Computer Club Advisor

Joan Thomas-Mello

Dance Club Advisor

M: NBHS MCAS ACADEMIC SUPPORT APPOINTMENTS

Beth Armando

Math Teacher

Jacqueline Baszak

English Teacher

Sophia Delfin

Math Teacher

Gualter DeSilva

Math Teacher

Linda Forman

English Teacher

Kathryn LaRochelle

English Teacher

Ronald Leblanc

Math Teacher

Olena Marques

English Teacher

David Morey

Math Teacher

Estelle Motta

Math Teacher

Russell Pouliot

Math Teacher

Patricia Robinson

English Teacher

Susan Rodrigues

English Teacher

Gerald Sherman

English Teacher

Jason Torres

Math Teacher

N: ADULT EDUCATION

Pedro Bennett

**Part-time Teacher for NBHS Evening
Extension Program**

Joseph Twomey

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Extension Program**