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Superintendent of Schools

Secretary, School Committee

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REGULAR MEETING

Monday September 14, 2026, 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. MINUTES

Regular Meeting – August 10, 2026

4. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. General Updates
- B. Opening of Schools
- C. District Review
- D. Superintendent Evaluation

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 and vote of approval of the Student Activity, Revolving, and Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2026.
- B. Discussion and vote on Superintendent goals and indicators for evaluating the Superintendent.

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 Educator's Association (NBEA) – Unit B
 - American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
 - 2. Purpose (3) to discuss collective bargaining and litigation strategy involving NBEA Unit A and the pending DLR matter concerning middle school schedules. discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and negotiations with union personnel:



- New Bedford Educator's Association (NBEA) – Unit A

10. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- A. Ratification votes for the AFSCME contract.

11. ADJOURN

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting: Monday, October 5, 2026

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