

NEW BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
455 COUNTY STREET  
NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS 02740

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE**  
**NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**ABRAHAM LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**CAFETERIA**

441 Ashley Boulevard  
New Bedford, Massachusetts

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011  
7:00 P.M.

# AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- August 15, 2011 – Regular School Committee meeting
- August 16, 2011 – Transportation Subcommittee meeting
- September 12, 2011 – Regular School Committee meeting

5. REPORTS

- A. Financial Report
- B. Schedule of Bills – August & September 2011
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Superintendent's Report
  - Miss New Bedford – Marlana Johnson
  - "Where are YOU Headed?" – Heather Larkin
  - Collaboration with Friend's Academy for TMI
  - MCAS Results Presentation
  - Educator Evaluation update
  - Class Size update
  - School Health & Wellness Manual – Marianne DeSouza

- E. School Committee Report(s)
- F. Student Representative Report

6. NEW BUSINESS
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A. Request approval of the following field/building usage:

- 1) Antone "Toi" Fortes/Director/Tonka's Tumblers, for permission to use the Carney Academy gym on Thursdays only from October 20, 2011 through May 2012 from 6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M., for gymnastic classes for inner city children of the Greater New Bedford community, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee: \$12 x29 days = \$348 Custodial fees: \$30/hr. x 2 hrs = \$870 = Total: **\$1,218**)
- 2) Brian Rose/Program Manager/District Attorney's Office, for permission to use the New Bedford High School gym on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M., for the D.A.'s Free Basketball Clinic for New Bedford youth, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee:\$240 Custodial fee: \$30/hr. x 3 hrs. = \$90 **Total: \$330**)
- 3) Jorge Faria/ABC Youth Soccer, for permission to use the Roosevelt Middle School gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays from November 2011 through April 2012 from 6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M., for soccer practices for New Bedford youth, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee: \$30 x 30 days = \$900 Custodial fee: \$30/hr. x 3 hrs. x 30 days = \$2,700 **Total: \$3,600**)
- 4) Marianne DeSouza/City of New Bedford – Director of Public Health, for permission to use the Keith Middle School Community Room along with the School Committee's communication sound system on Thursday, October 20, 2011 from 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M., for the Board of Health Tobacco Control Regulation Amendment Hearing, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee:\$60 Custodial fee: \$30/hr. x 3 hrs. = \$90 **Total: \$150**)
- 5) Craig Dutra/Comm. Foundation of SE Mass., for permission to use the Keith Middle School Auditorium on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 from 6:30 P.M.-9:00 P.M., for the School Committee Debate sponsored by the New Bedford Education Roundtable, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee:\$250 Custodial fee: \$30/hr. x 3 hrs. = \$90 **Total: \$340**)

**The following requests have been approved administratively:**

- 6) *Renee Dufour/Chair/City of New Bedford – Parks & Recreation, for permission to use the Gomes School gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays from November 8, 2011 through April 26, 2012 from 4:45 P.M.-7:45 P.M., for a recreational gymnastics program, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee: \$12x42 days = \$504; Custodial fee: \$30 x 3 hrs. =\$3,780 =Total: **\$4,284**)*
- 7) *Robert Horta/Asst. Supt.-H.R./Bristol County Sheriff's Office, for permission to use the Keith Middle School auditorium and cafeteria on Thursday, September 29, 2011 from 5:30 P.M.-8:30 P.M. for a graduation ceremony, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee: Cafeteria: \$60; Auditorium: \$250 = \$310; Custodial fee: \$30 x 3 hrs. = \$90 **Total: \$400**)*
- 8) *Neal Weiss/Whaling City Kids Wrestling Team, for permission to use the New Bedford High School wrestling room on Tuesday evenings, October 11, 18, November 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6, 2011 and January 3, 10, 31, February 14, 21, 28, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012 from 5:15 P.M.-6:30 P.M. for the wrestling*

*program servicing New Bedford's youth, with a waiver of all fees. (Rental fee: \$18x23 days=\$414; Custodial fee: \$37.50 x 23 days = \$862.50 Total:\$1,276.50)*

- B. *Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC) Audit – Catherine Cooper*
- C. First reading of the New Bedford Public Schools Policy IIBI - District Wellness Policy
- D. First reading of the New Bedford Public Schools Policy IIBH – Internet Safety and Technology Acceptable Use Policy
- E. First reading of the New Bedford Public Schools Policy INDA – Pledge of Allegiance
- F. First reading of the New Bedford Public Schools Policy JHFF - Student Bullying Prevention Policy
- G. Request approval for out-of-state field trips:
  - 1) Ellen Moreau/Teacher/Winslow, for permission for take 54 students and four chaperones on a field trip to Escobar's Highland Farm in Portsmouth, R.I. on October 25, 2011 from 9:00 A.M.-1:45 P.M., with transportation expenses paid for by the local field trip account. Recommend approval.
  - 2) Cathy Carlisle/Teacher/Pulaski, for permission to take 105 students and five chaperones on a field trip to Roger Williams Zoo in Providence, R.I. on May 22, 2012 from 9:15 A.M.-2:00 P.M., with transportation expenses paid for by the local field trip account. Recommend approval.
  - 3) Patricia Riley/Teacher/Normandin, for permission to take 85 students and six chaperones on a field trip to Escobar's Highland Farm in Portsmouth, R.I. on October 21, 2011 (rain date: October 28, 2011) from 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M., at no cost to the local budget. Recommend approval.
  - 4) Lauren Aubertine/Teacher/Normandin, for permission to take 89 students and seven chaperones to Escobar's Highland Farm in Portsmouth, R.I. on October 26, 2011 from 8:15 A.M.-2:00 P.M., at no cost to the local budget. Recommend approval.
  - 5) Michelle Campos/Teacher/Normandin, for permission to take 92 students and eight chaperones to Escobar's Highland Farm in Portsmouth, R.I. on October 19, 2011 (rain date: October 24, 2011) from 8:45 A.M.-1:30 P.M., at no cost to the local budget. Recommend approval.
  - 6) Patricia Gifford & Kristen Aber/Teachers/NBHS, for permission to take 59 students and four chaperones to Mystic Aquarium in Mystic, C.T. on October 24, 2011 from 7:40 A.M.-2:00 P.M., at no cost to the local budget. Recommend approval.

**The following out-of-state field trip requests have been approved administratively:**

- 7) *Carolyn Dubois/Teacher/Pacheco, for permission to take 87 students and five chaperones to Escobar's Highland Farm in Portsmouth, R.I., on October 17, 2011 from 8:30 A.M.-2:15 P.M., at no cost to the local budget.*

8) *Diane Robinson/Teacher/NBHS, for permission to take 35 students and three chaperones to Roger Williams Park and Museum of Natural History in Providence, R.I. on October 17, 2011 from 8:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M., at no cost to the local budget.*

H. Request approval for the following out-of-state conference:

1) Margo Moore/Teacher/Keith, for permission to attend the New Hampshire Council for Social Studies Annual Conference on Thursday, October 27, 2011 in Manchester, N.H., to participate in a presentation, at no cost to the local budget.

**The following out-of-state conference request has been approved administratively:**

2) *Michelle Pound/Teacher/Roosevelt, for permission to attend the Northeast Regional Noyce Conference on October 14-October 15, 2011 in Philadelphia, P.A., to attend workshops for first-year math teachers, at no cost to the local budget.*

I. Request authorization to accept the following donations:

- 1) Karen Regan/Nursing Supervisor – 500 arts and crafts kits from Cradles to Crayons to disseminate to NBPS students.
- 2) Andrew Kulak/Headmaster/NBHS – \$411.76 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 3) Jeanne Bonneau/Principal/Normandin – \$108.99 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 4) Richard Desrosiers/Principal/Keith – \$82.56 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 5) Karen Treadup/Principal/Carney - \$144.33 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 6) Derek Medeiros/Principal/Hathaway - \$52.45 from Target's Take Charge of Education program and \$347.03 from LifeTouch National School Studios for the school fund.
- 7) Cynthia Trinidad/Principal/DeValles - \$91.72 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 8) Darcy Fernandes/Principal/Roosevelt - \$41.11 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund and various school supplies from Mr. Stephen Benoit.
- 9) Tammy Morgan/Principal/Pulaski - \$412.60 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund and various school supplies from Rev. Norman Noriega from the Full Gospel Christian Fellowship.
- 10) Suzanne Madden/Principal/Hayden-McFadden - \$112 from Target's Take Charge of Education program for the school fund.
- 11) Kerri Quinlan-Zhou/Fine Arts Director – one used Yamaha flute for student use from Carol Mendonca.
- 12) Lisa Andrade/Principal/Campbell – four \$25 gift cards, four \$10 gift cards and one box of assorted school supplies from Best Buy – Dartmouth, MA for students.
- 13) James Calnan/Social Studies Director – 90 free copies and teacher guides of "Branded on My Arm and in My Soul: The Holocaust Memoir of Abraham Landau" from Spinner Publications of New Bedford to be used by the students in history classes at New Bedford High School and Normandin Middle School. Funding for these books is provided by the United Way of Greater New Bedford Community Building Mini-Grants Program.

J. Other Business

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the purpose of:

- NBEA Negotiations Update
- Local 641 Negotiations Update
- Paul Walsh Field Lease Agreement

8. ADJOURN

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011

ALFRED J. GOMES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - 7:00 P.M.