

GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

April 13, 2021
6:30 P.M.
New Bedford, Massachusetts

PRESENT: Mr. Durrigan, Chairman; Mr. Toomey, Vice-Chairman; Mr. Shea; Atty. Walsh; Mr. Oliveira;
Dr. Marland; Ethan Mouri.

EXCUSED: Mrs. Ribeiro.

1. The meeting was held via remote participation (YouTube) for the public.
2. Mr. Shea informed of the email that was sent to the Members by the GNBEU.
3. Mrs. Fredette explained the process that is used when individuals submit public comments.
4. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was voted to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting.

Yes – 6 No – 0
5. On a motion by Atty. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to approve and hold the minutes of the executive session until the matter is completed.

Yes – 6 No – 0
6. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was moved to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$892,481.21.

Yes – 6 No – 0
7. Andrew Lima of Hague, Sahady & Co. explained the FY-20 Auditor’s Report.
8. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to receive and place on file the FY-20 Auditor’s Report.

Yes – 6 No - 0
9. On a motion by Atty. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was moved to receive and place on file the Parent Communications and the Possip Surveys.

Yes – 6 No – 0
10. Superintendent O’Brien explained the March Attendance Report.
11. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was moved to receive and place on file the March Attendance Report.

Yes – 6 No – 0

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12. Superintendent O'Brien, Principal Watt and Principal Watson explained the April Artisan Report.
13. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was moved to receive and place on file the April Artisan Report.
Yes – 6 No – 0
14. Student Ethan Mouri brought Members up to date on the events taking place amongst the student body. He informed that the seniors received a graduation board that they can place on their lawn.
15. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was moved to receive and place on file the Student Representative's Report.
Yes – 6 No – 0
16. Principal Watson explained the need for a Director of Human Resources position.
17. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was voted to approve the new Director of Human Resources and Executive Director for Operations and Compliance positions.
Yes – 6 No – 0
18. Discussion was held on the FY-22 Operating Budget.
19. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was voted to adopt the FY-22 Operating Budget and this be considered the first reading for adoption.
Yes – 6 No – 0
20. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was voted to approve the 2021/22 School Calendar as submitted.
Yes – 6 No - 0
21. Discussion was held on the 2021/22 Student Handbook.
22. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was moved to Adopt the 2021/22 Student Handbook and this be considered the first reading for adoption.
Yes – 6 No – 0
23. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Atty. Walsh, it was voted to establish a Student Activity Account for the Class of 2024.
Yes – 6 No – 0

24. Principal Watson brought Members up to date on the status of the Principal position.

25. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was moved to hold a meeting on April 26th for the purpose of adopting the FY-22 Operating Budget.

Yes – 6 No - 0

26. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was moved to receive and place on file the early notification of retirement of Maurice Bergeron effective the end of the 2022 school year.

Yes – 6 No – 0

27. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to receive and place on file the following communications:

1. Junior Achievement Award – March 12, 2021
2. Be Like Brit – March 27, 2021

Yes – 6 No – 0

28. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to adjourn to Executive Session under Chapter 30, Section 21 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the teachers' union and to discuss strategy with respect to impact upon financial interest to the District. Members will not be returning to open session.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Mr. Toomey	-	Yes	Mr. Oliveira	-	Yes
Atty. Walsh	-	Yes	Dr. Marland	-	Yes
Mr. Shea	-	Yes	Mr. Durrigan	-	Yes

Yes – 6 No – 0

Adjourned to Executive Session at 7:37 p.m.

29. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to adjourn.

Yes - 6 No – 0

Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Secretary for the Committee