

**GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

January 10, 2023  
6:30 P.M.  
New Bedford, Massachusetts

PRESENT: Dr. Marland, Chair; Mr. Shea; Mrs. Ribeiro; Mr. Oliveira; Mr. Durrigan; Mr. Toomey; Student Elijah Gonsalves.

EXCUSED: Ms. Bettencourt; Vice-Chair.

1. The meeting was held in person and via remote participation (YouTube) for the public.
2. There were no public comments submitted.
3. Superintendent Watson informed that there was an amendment to the Executive Session as we have just been informed of ongoing litigation.
4. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Durrigan, it was voted to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022 meeting.  
  
Yes – 6      No – 0
5. Andrew Lima of Hague, Sahady and Co., P.C. explained, in depth, the auditor’s report.
6. On a motion by Mrs. Ribeiro, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was moved to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$406,084.48.  
  
Yes – 6      No – 0
7. Superintendent Watson recognized Kim Fortin for her long-time service to the student council. She has created many partnerships throughout the school and goes above and beyond on behalf of the students and the school.
8. Superintendent Watson informed that Family Engagement continues to contact families regarding any concerns that they may have and that a log is being kept of all issues being dealt with.
9. Principal Williams explained the January Artisan Report.
10. Superintendent Watson presented the Superintendents Weekly Update that were sent to staff.
11. Elijah Gonsalves explained his student representative’s report. He informed that the Talent Show took place last month. There will be a pep rally in March. There is a clothes drive taking place that will benefit the community. BPA is having a candy drive. Mr. Voc-Tech will be held on March 24.
12. On a motion by Mrs. Ribeiro, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was voted to approve the Out of State Travel for the Boys Volleyball Team to travel to Rhode Island College on May 6, 2023.  
  
Yes – 6      No – 0

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13. On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Ribeiro, it was voted to approve the 2022 Annual Report as submitted.

Yes – 6      No – 0

14. On a motion by Mr. Toomey, seconded by Mr. Shea, it was voted to accept the donation made by Mr. Royce Ratner.

Yes – 6      No – 0

15. On a motion by Mrs. Ribeiro, seconded by Mr. Durrigan, it was voted to designate equipment as surplus.

Yes – 6      No – 0

16. On a motion by Mrs. Ribeiro, seconded by Mr. Durrigan, it was moved to receive and place on file the following communications:

1. General Advisory Committee Meeting – Tuesday, January 24, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
2. SMEC Annual Report and Audit
3. Communication to Northern Machinery Sales, Inc. – January 6, 2023
4. Report on the Trip to Costa Rica

Yes – 6      No – 0

17. On a motion by Mrs. Ribeiro, seconded by Mr. Toomey, it was moved to adjourn to Executive Session under Chapter 30, Section 21 to discuss strategy with respect to negotiations with union and non-union personnel and to discuss strategy with respect to on-going litigation as the Chair has determined that an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the committee. Members will not be returning to open session.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Mr. Shea	-	Yes	Mr. Durrigan	-	Yes
Mrs. Ribeiro	-	Yes	Mr. Toomey	-	Yes
Mr. Oliveira	-	Yes	Dr. Marland	-	Yes

Yes – 6      No – 0

Adjourned to Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

18. On a motion by Mr. Durrigan, seconded by Mrs. Ribeiro, it was moved to adjourn.

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Secretary for the Committee