FINANCE SUB COMMITTEE OF THE NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PRESENT: MR. OLIVEIRA, MR. NOBREGA, DR. FINNERTY

ATTENDANCE: DR. BARRY RABINOVITCH, DR. PIA DURKIN ANDREW O'LEARY, CHRISTOPHER COTTER

- Call to Order:
- 2. Review of minutes:
 - A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira and seconded by Dr. Finnerty to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2015 meeting.

3. New Business:

- Dr. Rabinovitch discussed the MSBA projects including the New Bedford High School pool, Sea Lab at Taylor project, and the Statement of Interest for the Accelerated Repair Project.
- Dr. Rabinovitch discussed the signing of school department
 warrants and noted that based on discussion with Solicitor's office
 he believes School Committee members should sign warrants.
 Dr. Finnerty agreed that School Committee should proceed to
 follow this practice. Starting February 1, 2016, school department
 warrants will be held for School Committee member's signatures.
- Mr. O'Leary reviewed the financial statements including salary and wages reports, department's general expense budget reports, function code reports, and the school's general expense budget reports which have been further analyzed to identify variances caused by heating oil costs not being encumbered at schools that use oil.
- A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira and seconded by Dr. Finnerty to approve the previous meeting's transfer request of \$6000.00 from middle schools sports to Whaling City health instruction.
- Dr. Rabinovitch discussed and submitted a handout on the building based substitute teacher (BBST) plans including recruitment, attendance, and rates of pay.
- A motion was made by Mr. Nobrega and seconded by Dr. Finnerty to recommend to the full School Committee the creation of position of (BBST).

4. Transfer of Funds:

 A motion was made by Mr. Oliveira and seconded by Dr. Finnerty to accept the requests to transfer funds.

5. Other Business:

 A motion was made by Mr. Nobrega and seconded by Dr. Finnerty to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dr. Barry Rabinovitch Interim Business Manager