



LEFT: Riley Meier shares a smile with Santa Claus during the Santa Day celebration in Mott last Saturday. The events included a movie, a visit with Santa, crafts and a meal, among other activities. PHOTO BY NORMA HEIDT

ABOVE: Sheriff Sarah Warner and Deputy Jordan Malchose check with Santa Claus to learn who is on the naughty or nice list! COURTESY PHOTO

New England School District proceedings

New England Public School District #9 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the New England Public School Board was called to order by President Chris Reindel at 6:01 pm., on November 12, 2025. Board members present: Chris Reindel, Scott Bieber, Amanda Seymour, Brooke Waltner and Shawn Wolf. Board Members absent: none. Also present: Superintendent Scott Jung, Principal Sydney Ratliff, Dean of Students/AD Alex Quintane and Business Manager Tamara Volk.

Shawn moved to approve the agenda. Amanda seconded the motion. Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Amanda moved to approve the minutes of September 10, 2025, Public Budget Hearing and October 8, 2025, board meeting. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Amanda moved to approve board bills as presented. Shawn seconded the motion. Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, and Shawn aye. Motion carried 5-0.

AF 9+439-9541 Activity Fund 26,234.81, Payroll #11916 – 11923 DD 15284 – 15319 Payroll 132,m351.01, #11924 – 11934 DD 15320 – 15377 149,466.61, #11935 – 11942 DD15378 – 15414131,551.97, GF 45895AFLAC 450.68,45896 BSN 523.77, 45897 City of New England657.00, 45898 Consolidated 120.00, 45899 D&E 954.05, 45900 John Fielding 29.80, 45901 Michaela Fischer 294.60, 45902 Fitterer Oil 492.54, 45903 FORTE 898.26, 45904Forum Communications 38.00, 45905 Gopher 375.06, 45906 GS Publishing 284.00, 45907 Harlow's 95.24, 45908 Jostens 279.20, 45909 Scott Jung 451.00, 45910 Justin Kathrein 36.00, 45911 Linde 132.38, 45912 Marco 4,053.87, 45913 Menards 283.41, 45914 MDU 5,725.54,45915NDCEL 560.00, 45616 NDSBA 375.00, 45617 NECGS 206.51, 45918 Nordak North Publications 77.00, 45919 Northern Auto 4,729.80, 45920 Northwest Tire 1,598.62, 45921 ODIN 144.03, 45922 Preble 380.00, 45923 Alexander Quintane 476.00, 45924 Regent Oil 160.00, 45925 Region X 150.00, 45926 Runnings 81.96, 45927 Sherwin Williams 700.00,

45928 Shred ND 53.75, 45929 Smart Computers 10,672.90, 45930 SWMCCC 10.00, 45931 Swanke's 300.00, 45932 Therapy Solutions 295.00, 45933 Tri-County 18.09, 45934 VISA 1,211.12, 45935 VISA 1,482.18, 45936 Tamara Volk 247.58, 45937West River Health 220.00, 45938 WRSS 359.63, 45939 WERC 550.00, 45940 CAVES 140.00, 45941 City 640.20, 45942 Consolidated 502.51, 45943 Fitterer Oil 1,271.19, 45944 HUB 2,896.11, 45945 HUB 3,025.25, 45946 Benjamin Krebs 67.00, 45947 NDCDE 438.00, 45948 Runnings 9.96, 45949 VISA 1,003.05, 45950 VISA 1,320.00, 45951 WRSS 15,196.32, HL 7165 D&E 44332, 7166 DPI 2,181.45, 7167 HUB 42.36, 7168 NECGS 7.75, 7169 NEPS 80.00, 7170 Pepsi 1,262.00, 7171 US Foodservice 1,210.26, 7172 US Foodservice 318.05, 7173 US Foodservice 431.65, 7174 VISA 440.00, 7175 DPI 1,201.49, 7176 US Foodservice 310.20, 7177 VISA 250.75.

Public Participation: None REPORTS:

Chris Reindel read a letter from NDASBM's informing the board that Mrs. Tamara Volk received the Diamond Award Certificate for fulfilling 500 training and experience points. The board thanked Mrs. Volk for her dedication and years of service to the district.

1. Business Manager Report a. Revenue report, expenditure report and balance sheets were presented.

b. DPI November payment c. Software Unlimited information for moving to the web-based system. d. Business Manager Evaluation tool

2. Superintendent Report a. Enrollment Report – Enrollment is staying steady. b. Personnel Report

i. Open position - 1 JH BBB Coach c. Discussion on Superintendent report information.

i. Building and Grounds discussion and information presented. ii. Discussion on information on volleyball state competition.

If the girls make to the state competition, options for school those days. Option one absorbs one day and make up one day. Option two absorb both days. Option three make up both days. Option four keep as is and do not change the calendar, but

you need to have a minimum percentage to have the day counted for a school day. Superintendent Jung recommended option one absorb one day and make up one day.

1. Shawn moved to go with option one, absorbing one day and making up one day, make up day on January 19, 2025, contingent on the girls volleyball team making it to the state volleyball tournament. Scott seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0

iii. Discussion on custodial items, checklists and how the procedures are being handled.

3. Principal Report a. NDA plus data – working with Mitch from WERC on the data and breaking it down.

b. High school had an increase in student engagement.

c. Pacing guides are being created for all grades.

d. Power Standards are being focused on for all grades.

e. WIN time – intervention time. Each elementary grade has their own time.

f. Veterans Day Program was held on Monday.

g. Confirmed PD on March 18 - CPI Training.

h. Suicide Prevention Training on December 19.

i. Working on evaluations.

j. Have begun working with Infinite Campus. k. Calendar committee met last week and are working on finalizing two options by December meeting.

4. Athletic/Activities Director/Dean of Students Report

a. NDCEL conference attended as the Dean of Students in October. Good learning moment.

b. Fall athletic seasons wrapping up.

c. Volleyball will be playing in the championship game Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025.

d. Coach Shelly Stubor named coach of the year.

e. Congratulations to volleyball players who were named to the all-district team: Kallie Dinius, Caryl Wolf and Emma Olsonawski.

f. Congratulations to football players who were named to the first team all-region: Jordan Jung, Aiden Rafferty and mark Fitterer, and second team all-region: Tucker Bock.

g. Working on the all-district and all-region academic awards.

h. Items for the co-op meeting.

i. Fall schedules have been completed for next fall.

j. Coaching evaluations are being completed by December.

k. Thank you to Daryl Jung, Keith Witte and Doug Kuske for helping with the District 7 Volleyball Tournament.

l. Thank you to all the individuals who helped restore the championship bell so that the volleyball girls could ring it for winning the District 7 championship.

m. Estimates for the start up for the Girls Softball Program. \$14,563.12. Discussion held on a softball program at New England Public School.

i. Amanda moved to go ahead with the varsity girls softball program. Scott seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0

5. Transportation No Report

6. Budget and Finance No Report

7. Negotiations No Report

8. Curriculum and Policy

a. Shawn moved to approve the first reading of the amendments and waiving of the second reading for policies: ABAD-Virtual School, ABEA-Wellness Policy, FF-Student Conduct and Discipline, FFE-Extracurricular Participation Requirements, FGA-Student Education Records and Privacy. Amanda seconded the motion. Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Scott moved to adopt the first reading and waiving of the second reading for policies: ACG-Child Safety Liaison Work Group and Mandatory Training, ACBD-E4-Emergency Medication Check-in Form, ACCB-Protection for Student Victims of Sexual Offenses, BBA –School Board Elections and Terms of Office BBA-E1-Election Letter Notice, BCBA-Public Participation at Board Meetings, CAAA-Superintendent Recruitment and Appointment, CAAA-E4-Superintendent Job Description, CAAB-Superintendent Evaluation Procedure, CAAB-E1-Superintendent Evaluation Template, CABB-Hiring Administrative Staff, CABB-E1-Principal Job Description, CBAA-Administrative Regulations, CBAB-Administration in Policy Absences,

CCA-Superintendent and Other Administrative Professional Development, DBAA-Recruitment, Hiring, Background Checks for New Classified personnel, DBAA-E1-US Office of Personnel Management Adjudication System, DBAB-Emergency Hiring of Classified Personnel, DBAC-Recruiting & Hiring Teachers, DBBA-Drug and Alcohol testing Program for Employees, DBBAAR-Drug and Alcohol testing Procedures, DBBA-E-Drug & Alcohol Testing Notification Requirements for Employees, DEAA-Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace, DEAA-AR-Procedure if Drug and/or Alcohol use is Reasonably Suspected, DEAA-E1-Record of Observable Behavior, DEAA-E2-Steps to Performing a Reasonable Suspicion Test, DEAA-E3-Drug and/or Alcohol Testing Consent Form, DDBD-Military Leave, DFAA-Teacher Evaluation, DFC-Transfer and Reassignment, DGAA-Teacher Grievance Procedure, DGAA-E-Grievance Form, DGGG-Professional development Plan, DHAB-Title 1 Qualifications Notification Requirement, DI-BR-Personnel Records Review Procedure DI-E1-Personnel Records Open Closed or Exempt, DIA-Distribution of Personnel Directory DKBB-Contracted Staff Resignations & Request for Release from Contract DKBB-BR-Granting a Release from Contract, FCCA-Accommodating Students with Allergies and Special Dietary Needs, FCAA-AR-General Guidelines for Reducing Risk of Exposure to Allergens, GAAA-Curriculum Design and Evaluation, GABE-Human Trafficking and Exploitation Prevention and Awareness Education, GACB-Patriotic Exercises. Brooke seconded the motion. Amanda aye, Chris aye, Shawn aye Brooke aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 5-0.

9. Building and Grounds No Report

10. Co-op Committee No Report

11. Technology Committee No Report

12. WERC No Report

13. RACTC

a. Dr. Ratliff attended the last meeting of RACTC.

b. Discussion was held on the future of the RACTC and the direction they will move forward.

14. SWCTC No Report

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Superintendent Evaluation a. Goal and Vision Setting

i. Amanda moved to approve the category of Goal and Vision Setting as satisfactory. Shawn seconded the motion. Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Board Relations

i. Scott moved to approve the area of Relations as satisfactory. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 5-0.

c. Human Resource Management

i. Scott moved to approve the area of Human Resource Management as Satisfactory. Shawn seconded the motion. Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Shawn aye. Motion carried 5-0.

d. Curriculum and Student Support Services

i. Scott moved to approve the area of Curriculum and Student Support Services as satisfactory. Brooke seconded the motion. Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0.

e. Community Relations

i. Brooke moved to approve the Community Relations as satisfactory. Amanda seconded the motion. Amanda aye, Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 5-0.

f. Operations and Resources Management

i. Brooke moved to approve the area of Operations and Resources Management as satisfactory. Scott seconded the motion. Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye. Motion carried. 5-0.

2. December board meeting date and time.

a. Shawn moved to hold the December meeting on December 10 at 6:30 a.m. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye Brooke aye, Scott aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Next board meeting will be held on December 10, 2025, at 6:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Chris Reindel, President Tamara L. Volk, Business Manager