

**MATTAPOISETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES**

**November 21, 2024
Hybrid at Old Hammondtown School**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Carly Lavin and James Muse (in-person).

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Michael S. Nelson, Superintendent of Schools; Howard Barber, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations; Sharlene Fedorowicz, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning; Jaime Curley, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services; Linda Ashley, Principal – Center School; Stephanie Wells, Principal – Old Hammondtown School (all in-person).

Ms. Lavin called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION:

Superintendent Nelson and Mr. Barber reviewed with the school committee the initial draft FY2026 budget which was designed with known mandated costs and requests from leadership. Mr. Barber reviewed the budget in each department with the school committee in order to familiarize the members with the draft and discuss the requests from administration. Mr. Barber provided an overall initial budget of \$8,772,090. A discussion occurred around the possible need for math curriculum resources, increasing the Math Specialist at Center School to .8 FTE (from .5 FTE) and increasing the Reading Specialist at Old Hammondtown School to 1.0 FTE (from .8 FTE). Administration provided background on their requests. No decisions were made at this meeting to include the new requests in the FY2026 budget.

School Committee Feedback:

Ms. Lavin and Mr. Muse thanked Superintendent Nelson and Mr. Barber for their detailed information and explanation. Mr. Muse articulated that he understood this was a first draft and that further conversations would occur regarding the educational needs of Center and Old Hammondtown Schools.

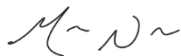
Meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Muse

Motion Seconded by Ms. Lavin

Motion Passed 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael S. Nelson
Superintendent