

The Special Meeting of the New London Board of Education was held on February 18, 2026 in the New London Public Schools' Welcome Center and via Zoom Webinars.

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1. Call to Order

President Maynard-Adams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present for the Board of Education: President – Elaine Maynard-Adams

Board Members Present:

Rebecca Amanti
Karen Bergin
Nanci DeRobbio
Scott Garbini
Susan Hambey
Richard Martin

Present for the administration:

Dr. Cynthia Ritchie, *Superintendent of Schools*
Dr. Jennifer Hills-Papetti, *Assistant Superintendent of Schools*
Mr. Rob Funk, *Chief Financial Officer*
Ms. Carrie Rivera, *Executive Director of School and Family Supports*
Ms. Christine Pemberton, *Executive Director of Talent & Human Resources*
Mr. Miguel Gautier, Jr. – *Executive Director of Operations*
Ms. Kristea Francolino – *Manager of Executive Support Services*

2. Presentation and Discussion of the NLPS Proposed FY2026-2027 Budget Book

The following District Staff began the presentation of the FY2025-2026 Budget Book to the Board of Education:

- Dr. Cynthia Ritchie – Superintendent of Schools
- Mr. Rob Funk – Chief Financial Officer
- Ms. Melissa Flores-Seijo – Director of Business and Finance
- Dr. Jennifer Hills-Papetti – Assistant Superintendent
- Ms. Christine Pemberton – Executive Director of Talent and Human Resources
- Ms. Carrie Rivera – Executive Director of Student and Family Supports
- Mr. Miguel Gautier, Jr. – Executive Director of District Operations
- Ms. Kristea Francolino – Manager of Executive Support Services

Each page of the budget book, inclusive of each program, was reviewed one by one, allowing Board members to ask questions about both staffing, finances, and programming.

The Board reviewed all program staffing and associated financial information in the budget book.

Ms. Maynard-Adams stated that the Board would review the presentation of possible budget considerations at the next meeting on February 19.

3. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Amanti, seconded by Mr. Garbini, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried, 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Garbini
Secretary