

AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2026

Present were Mayor Gove, Abigail Jurist Levy, Greg Noyes, Ian Gillis,
and Brock Omohundro

A recording of this meeting can be viewed here: <https://imd0mxanj2.execute-api.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/ssr/watch/69a1ecf5f28e9a00025fd451>

- I. Call to Order/Mission Statement/Pledge of Allegiance – Dr. Jurist Levy read the mission statement.
- II. Comments by Visitors & Delegations (0:55) – Steve Stanganelli addressed the committee about the need to have bus cameras installed on school buses in Amesbury.
- III. FY27 Budget Workshop
 - An initial budget presentation was shared by Superintendent McAndrews which included enrollment projections. The presentation was based on a level funded budget. The Superintendent gave a historical overview of the budget, the budget development process, and assumptions on which the proposed budget was based. The Superintendent highlighted the current gap between a level services and level funded budget and spoke about the cuts that would be required to arrive at the level funded budget number. The presentation concluded with enrollment data that showed a potential increase in enrollment of 275 students over the next 10 years. The mayor then gave a summary of budget preparation on the city side and the committee discussed the Superintendent's presentation as a whole. The committee discussed the need to advocate for additional funding from the legislature.
- IV. Executive Session (1:34:55) - Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(2) for the purpose of discussing strategy as it relates to negotiations with non-union personnel, being the Superintendent of Schools.
Mr. Omohundro moved to enter executive session, seconded by Dr. Jurist Levy. Approved unanimously (Mr. Noyes absent).