



**NASHOBA Regional School Committee**  
**Meeting/FY25 Budget Workshop Agenda**  
**January 17, 2024**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Remote via Zoom Technology**  
**and live streaming**



**Jan 16 2024**  
**8:46am**

The Nashoba Regional School Committee adheres to Open Meeting Law (OML) Regulations.

In response to concerns about the potential for privacy and safety violations embedded in Zoom, the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) has shared preliminary guidance for conducting meetings and online learning. Recommendations include sending the link only to those participating in the meeting (committee members, superintendent, presenters) and requiring a password. Other recommendations include having the local cable channel livestream or otherwise broadcast the meeting to make it accessible to the public, and either taking public comments off the agenda or asking that comments be emailed to the Chair who can read them at the meeting.

While public comment is not a requirement of the Open Meeting Law, our school committee wants to continue to include it as part of our agenda. Our protocol for Citizens' Comments was recently updated. It is as follows: *Any individual interested in speaking to an issue which is on the agenda or within the School Committee's authority during the Public Comment portion of a School Committee meeting held over Zoom shall sign up to speak by emailing [nrsc@nrsc.net](mailto:nrsc@nrsc.net) at least 1 hour before the meeting, with a subject line "PUBLIC COMMENT FOR (DATE) MEETING". The chairperson will respond to the participant with the zoom link prior to the start of the meeting, and copy the Zoom host via email. The Zoom host will then allow the individual to join the meeting during the Public Comment segment of the meeting, which is usually the first 15 minutes. The individual shall display their full name and town of residence on screen when they join the Zoom meeting. Individuals will be called upon to speak in the order in which their requests were received. Each individual's comment shall be in accordance with [Policy BEDH](#) After the comment is read, the individual will be asked to leave the Zoom meeting. If the individual does not leave, the Zoom host will remove the participant*

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| I.    | Call to order of Regular Meeting and Pledge of Allegiance   | 6:00 PM |
| II.   | Citizens Comments   | 6:02 PM |
| III.  | Executive Session<br>Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel – Superintendent of Schools. | 6:10 PM |
| IV.   | Consent Agenda (Vote)<br>a) Warrant of January 19, 2024<br>b) Draft Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2024  | 6:25 PM |
| V.    | New Business<br>a) FY25 Budget Workshop   | 6:30 PM |
| VI.   | Unfinished Business<br>a) Extended Day Fee Review (Vote)<br>b) Building Rental Rates (Vote)<br>c) Preschool Update and Fee Review (Vote)<br>d) Daily Sub Rate Review (Vote)<br>e) Revisions to Section D of Policy Manual (Vote)  | 9:00 PM |
| VII.  | Items for Next Agenda   | 9:15 PM |
| VIII. | Adjourn (Vote)  | 8:20 PM |

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Posted: January 1, 2024 at 2:30 pm

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Karen Devine – Stow Representative  
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