



The Newport Board of Education held a special meeting on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 6:30 PM. The meeting was held at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport, KY. The purpose of the meeting was to receive the final applicants from the superintendent search committee.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ramona Malone asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Tim Curl, Ed Davis, Sylvia Covington, and Bobbie Stubbeman.

Ms. Malone asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and to pause for a Moment of Reflection.

OPENING STATEMENT

Tim Abrams, KSBA Consultant, addressed the board regarding the work of the search committee over the past few weeks. He said the committee was great to work with and all of them have a lot of passion and love for the Newport Independent School District.

Based on the timeline provided by Mr. Abrams, the search committee has reached the final stage of their work in the superintendent search. Having completed the initial training in December and gathered board input in early January, the committee successfully conducted interviews on January 29th. This evening represents the formal hand-off where the committee presents their recommended candidates to the board for final consideration. Mr. Abrams spoke highly of the group, noting they were the 'craziest and most passionate committee he's worked with.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On MOTION BY STUBBEMAN AND SECONDED BY CURL the board went into executive session. KRS 61.810 (1) (f) – Personnel – Time 6:35 PM

1772 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

On MOTION BY STUBBEMAN AND SECONDED BY DAVIS the board returned to open session. Time: 7:55 PM

1773 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

On MOTION BY STUBBEMAN AND SECONDED BY CURL, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM

1774 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Chairman

Secretary