

**NEW BUFFALO AREA SCHOOLS**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR SESSION**  
**Board Retreat**  
**9 S Barton St, New Buffalo, MI 49117**  
**1112 E. Clay Street**  
**P.O. Box 280**  
**New Buffalo, MI 49117**  
**January 28, 2026**  
**6:00 PM**

New Buffalo Area Schools will be a beacon of academic excellence and individualized learning, where every student thrives in a supportive and inclusive environment. We will lead in preparing students for future success, driven by strong community partnerships and a commitment to growth and sustainability.

1. Call to Order by President Denise Churchill - Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. Roll Call: Denise Churchill, Stephen Donnelly, John Haskins, Jennifer Summers, Vanessa Thun, Greg Vosberg, Lisa Werner  
Absent: Werner
3. Expressions from the Public
4. Items too Late for Printed Agenda
5. Adoption of the Agenda
6. Superintendent Goals – Review
  - A. Goal 1: Data Driven Decision Making  
Sam Stine to present fall Data at board meeting. Target interventions to help MS/HS. Students using advisory time for PSAT. Recognize Mrs. Totzke for the breakdown of PSAT.
  - B. Goal 2: Academic Performance / Accountability
  - C. Goal 3: Board Responsibilities  
Member expectation to complete 100 Series.  
Board to get information they need regarding new roles.
7. Board Goals – Review
8. Data Review
  - A. Elementary
  - B. Middle School
  - C. High School
  - D. NWEA and College Board- old data
  - E. Data Wall - old data
9. Strategic Plan Annual Goals – Review
  - A. Goal 1:

1. A3. Information (New BOE President and Vice President)

B. Goal 2:

1. C4. Delegation of Duties (Directors / Principals TCB)

C. Goal 3:

1. E7. Student Voice (Mimic the superintendent meeting of round table discussions with students on topics)

25-26 Strategic Goals year two, embracing goals/teachers are helping to improve Math/EL. Building promoting/bus dept. etc.

10. Discussion Item(s)

11. Other Business

Building Trades House

A. Appliances / landscaping

B. Support Staff Contract Negotiations

C. Communications Director

D. Backpack Guidelines/Requirements

E. The Role of AI and bullying

F. Daycare Staffing

G. Career Day

a. Local non-profit

b. Student volunteerism/community works hours

H. Student BOE Advocates

12. Adjournment