



Re-Cap!

March 20, 2019
Woodmere
Education Center

A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: Mitchell Greebel, *President*; Melissa Gates, *Vice President*; Cheryl May, Scott McInnes, Judy Menashe, Debra Sheinin, Daniella R. Simon

Regular Meeting

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hewlett High School Valedictorian of the Class of 2019, Sophie Riegel.
- Mr. William Galati recognized the Valedictorian, Sophie Riegel, and the Salutatorian, Samuel Bogdanov, of the Class of 2019.



- Mr. Galati recognized the four National Merit Finalists: Samuel Bogdanov, Julia Grossman, Brandon Weiss, and Bharvi Chavre.





- Mr. David Viegas recognized the winter athletes and coaches.

Boys Varsity Basketball: Brett Karkus, All-County, and Mac Rochler, All-Conference.



Girls Varsity Basketball: Samantha Panzarella, All-County Honorable Mention, and Alessandra Borsellino, All-Conference.



Girls Varsity Cheerleading: Emmie Cohen, All-County, Abigail Mariasch, All-Division, Triniti Jones, Coach's Award, and Taylor Ferrara, Scholar Athlete Award.

Boys Track and Field: Ryan Bruce, All-County Triple and Long Jump, Jonah Yochai, County Champion Pole Vault, and Jayden Francis, County Champion 55 High Hurdles and State Qualifier.



Girls Track and Field: Jade Wilkes, All-County, Lilli Seidman, All-County, Ronnie Hillel, All-County, Elizabeth Zemlyansky, All-Conference, Kaylyn Forbes, All-Conference, Ariella Ziarno, All-Conference.





Boys Swimming: Joshua Rudgayzer, Benjamin Rudgayzer, Daniel Maor, Maxim, Fishman, and Daniel Reznikov—all received All-Conference Honors.

Girls Gymnastics: Charlotte Moscovici, All-County Honorable Mention, with Coach Rina Brinstein.



Boys Fencing: Matthias Cho, Nassau County 2nd Place Sabre, and Alessandro Bordone, 2nd Place Underclassmen, Nassau County Tournament.

Administrator Reports

- Dr. Marino provided the Superintendent's Report. He attended the One World celebration and Mystery Reader Day at FECC, the Talent Show and Tech University at HES, the Artastic Art Gallery at OES, the Student Council Meeting at WMS, and the Staff Volleyball Game, Dr. Seuss performance, and Student Council Meeting at HHS. He hosted a Superintendent's Roundtable at the HW Library and staff chats with the maintenance department and several schools. Dr. Marino provided an update on HW 2025. K12 Insight presented a data workshop to our building principals and members of their Shared Decision Making Teams in March. We are putting the finishing touches on the School Quality survey, which will be followed by the State of the District survey. The Public Budget Forum will be held on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 PM at WEC and all are encouraged to attend. There will be a proposition on the ballot which will allow the District to complete Phase 2 of the window replacement project at HHS.

- Dr. Secaur recently attended the LIASCD spring conference, where Dr. Thomas Guskey spoke about effective grading practices. The presentation was very informative and thought provoking. He also attended the FECC One World, which is always a great evening. From One World, he attended the presentation by Dr. Dewey on adolescent usage of drugs and vaping at HHS. Dr. Secaur attended an event at Nassau BOCES entitled, "NYSED Training on Substantial Equivalency," regarding equity for the non-public schools in districts. In addition, he attended the Microsoft Leadership Conference and a Tri-State return visit to Madison School District for Mathematics. Dr. Secaur was a mystery reader at FECC and attended the HES Civil Rights Museum. He is working with the P-12 Chairpersons on utilizing the data from the HW 2025 surveys. Upcoming events include continued work with the RTI committee on a new plan, a briefing regarding changes in APPR, and MPPR training with principals.
- Mr. Frontario provided the Business Report. He and Mr. DiBartolo attended the Nassau Association of School Business Officials retreat, which was focused on the voting rights act amendment. All districts will make a good faith effort to have materials translated to Spanish. We are working with BOCES and other translators to make this happen. Adoption of the budget is now April 10 to allow more time for translation. The 2019-2020 budget development is nearing completion. More information will be shared tomorrow night and Tuesday, March 26 at the Public Budget Forum. Members of the Business Office Staff recently attended a HWASA meeting to share information about paycheck deductions.
- Dr. Lo Verde provided the Special Education Report. She attended the PTA curriculum committee, where she provided information on special education and eligibility criteria. The District hosted the South Shore Consortium on Special Education meeting, where 40 administrators attended. Ms. Michelle Kinhackle, Transition Coordinator, was one of the presenters, as was one of our students, who demonstrated the PAES lab. Dr. Lo Verde welcomed Ms. Pamela O'Brien, the District's occupational therapist. Dr. Lo Verde also attended Dr. Dewey's presentation at HHS and the Substantial Equivalency workshop at BOCES. She attended a workshop on Women in Politics and Education at Roosevelt High School, where powerful female role models made a wonderful impression on the female students in attendance.
- Dr. Fale provided the Human Resources Report. The HR office is busy preparing tenure packets for the April 16 Tenure Reception. He and his staff are also planning the Employee Recognition Ceremony on May 15. He is working with Mr. Frontario and Mr. DiBartolo to review staffing needs and schedule C appointments.
- Ms. Bharvi Chavre reported on behalf of the Student Advisory Council. Attendance was low at the March 1 Sports Night. Seniors won. At the student council meeting they began to reevaluate sports night. March 29 is the senior fashion show. She Steps team and junior dance team are performing. They are appreciative of the assistance they have received from the HHS PTA.
- Robyn Kelstein reported on behalf of the Central Council PTA. Franklin held their annual One World event on March 5, where 30 countries were represented. PARP is currently underway and the theme is nursery rhymes. The FECC Book Fair was very successful. HES hosted three author visits: Suzy Kline visited the second grade; Joanna Hurwitz visited the third grade; and Brian Heinz visited fourth graders. The fifth grade talent show was on March 18 and showcased many talented students. HES Sports Night will be held on March 27 and the 50s sock hop themed Someone Special Dance will be on April 4. OES hosted its fourth annual Artastic Art Gallery on March 12, where more than 450 pieces of student artwork were displayed. The fifth grade bake sale was held during parent-teacher conferences. The second grade circus performance will be on March 27 at Hewlett High School. April 4th is Ogden Ladies Night. WMS recently had a book fair. The Shrek, Jr. performance is this Friday and Saturday. HHS spring sports has begun. Please come out to support the Bulldogs. Dr. Dewey's presentation was well attended. Staff volleyball

tournament was a huge success. Thank you to Michele Morgan. The Brick Fundraiser is going very well. March 29 is the senior fashion show. SEPTA is having a transition fair on March 25. A forum will be held on April 2 on Supporting Students with Executive Functioning Weaknesses. The Supporting Autism Walk for FECC, HES, and OES is on April 30. WMS and HHS are looking to do the same in May.

Board Committee Reports

- Mrs. Judy Menashe reported on behalf of the Special Education Committee. The committee recommended the approval of the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education.
- Mrs. Gates reported for the Policy Committee. It is annual review season. Legislative committee: meetings with various representatives have been cancelled and working on rescheduling. NYSS-BA is encouraging Boards of Education to write letters to representatives addressing issues in the New York State budget.

Board Reports

- Mr. McInnes announced his intention to resign his position as a Board of Education trustee. He delivered a letter of resignation to the District Clerk, effective April 17, 2019. ([Click here to read the letter](#)). A 3rd seat (one year term) will be added to the May 21 ballot. Mr. Greebel said with deep regret the BOE accepts the resignation.
- The consent agenda and the following policies were unanimously approved:
 - Policy #0001 Mission Statement and Vision
 - Policy #0110 Sexual Harassment
 - Policy #5420 Student Health Services
 - Policy #9645 Disclosure of Wrongful Conduct (Whistleblower Policy)
- The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, March 26, Public Budget Forum, 7:00 PM, Woodmere Education Center

Wednesday, April 10: Public Hearing, 7:00 PM, Woodmere Education Center
 Special Meeting, 7:15 PM, Woodmere Education Center
 Work Meeting, 7:30 PM, Woodmere Education Center

Tuesday, April 16, Regular Meeting, 8:00 PM, Woodmere Education Center

Note:

All agendas and supporting documentation for the March 20, 2019 Regular Meeting can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

The March Construction Update can be found by clicking [HERE](#).