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A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: President, *Debra Sheinin*; Vice President, *Cheryl May*; Trustees: *Judy Menashe, Francois Tenenbaum, Shari L. Amitrano, Chana Jeter, Meredith King*

July 1, 2024

ORGANIZATION MEETING

The organization meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

Mrs. Sheinin led the Pledge of Allegiance.



The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board of Education members: Meredith King, Judy Menashe, and Francois Tenenbaum, and Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Ralph Marino, Jr.

Mrs. May, seconded by Mrs. Menashe, nominated Mrs. Sheinin for president of the Board of Education. Mrs. Menashe, seconded by Mrs. King, nominated Mrs. May for vice president of the Board of Education. Both nominations were unanimously approved. The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Board of Education President, Mrs. Sheinin, and Vice President, Mrs. May.





The Annual Appointment of Board Service Personnel was approved. The Oath of Office was administered by Mrs. Sheinin to the District Clerk, Mrs. Randazzo, and the Assistant District Treasurer, Dr. Anzalone. The Assistant District Clerk and District Treasurer were not present at the meeting and will be sworn in later.

The Schedule of Board Appointments, Schedule of Central Treasurers, Designation of Bond Counsel and Financial Advisors, Designation of Newspapers for 24-25 Legal Notices, Designation of Banks as Depositories, Authorization to Secure Crime Bonds, and the Schedule of Additional Authorizations were all approved.

The Board of Education approved the Schedule of Special Education Authorizations for the 2024-2025 school year, which included: A Resolution for Board of Education members authorized to appoint impartial hearing officers, recommendations for Special Education committees, and recommendations for 504 committees.

The Board of Education Members Accountability Statement was read and signed by all Board members.

The Designation of Board of Education Representation in Committees/Organizations was approved. Prior to the vote, Board members discussed the make-up of the Curriculum, Assessment, and Technology Committee and the importance of representation from members with students in District buildings and also with history of District practices.

Policy #6240 Investment Policy, was approved.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD (AGENDA ITEMS)

Mr. Virani asked about the availability of the newspaper, the South Shore Record.

The Organizational Meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:25 PM.

Mrs. Sheinin noted that the Personnel Action Report contained the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Dr. Ralph Marino, Jr., Superintendent of Schools, effective August 31, 2025. Mrs. Sheinin thanked Dr. Marino for what will be ten years of dedicated service to the students, staff, and community of Hewlett-Woodmere Public Schools.

Mrs. Sheinin welcomed Ms. Kate Freeman, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Personnel, to the District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Marino provided the Superintendent's Report. In the final weeks of June he attended the five wonderful graduation ceremonies and wrapped up the school year with a Superintendent's Roundtable at the Hewlett Fire Department and a Staff Chat with the maintenance staff. Three of the District's summer programs have started and the remaining programs will begin shortly. The summer construction projects have begun with work going on at FECC, HES, HHS, and WEC.

BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Menashe reported on behalf of the Special Education Committee who recommended for approval the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

Mrs. May reported on behalf of the Policy Committee. The Committee recommends Policy #4710 Grading Systems, Policy #5152 Admission of Non-Resident Students, and Policy #6700 Purchasing, for approval, as well as the Resolution for limited suspension of timelines set forth in Policy #4322 Programs for the Gifted and Talented.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD (AGENDA ITEMS)

There were no public comments on agenda items.

ROUTINE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The minutes were accepted from the Regular Board Meeting on June 12, 2024.

The Consent Agenda was approved, with the exception of items G.1, Personnel Action report, which was voted on separately.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel. When the Board returned, two appointments were removed from the PAR for further review. The revised item G.1 was voted on separately and approved.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, August 21, 5:00 PM, Regular Meeting, Woodmere Education Center

NOTE: Click HERE for the agenda and supporting documentation for the June 26 Regular Meeting.