Regular Meeting/Work Session
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FIRE ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
November 18, 2025

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CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President A. Wood.
MEMBERS PRESENT	B. Chenault, L. Kaufman, L. Nowachek, J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood, M. Wyckoff
MEMBERS ABSENT	All present
OTHERS PRESENT	T. Davey, Superintendent J. Lizza, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations R. Swierkowski, Treasurer B. Emigholz, School Attorney
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes of the following meetings were accepted as read: • Audit Committee Meeting of October 14, 2025 • Regular Meeting of October 14, 2025 • Work Session of October 28, 2025 (J. Phelan, L. Kaufman: 7-0)
FINANCIAL REPORTS (ITEMS 2a. – 2f.)	The following reports for the month of October 2025, were accepted as read: • Treasurer's Report • Cash Balance Report • Trial Balance Report • Appropriation Status Report • Revenue Status Report • Cash Disbursement Reports (General & Payroll) (B. Chenault, M. Wyckoff; 7-0)
VOIDED CHECK REPORT	The Board accepts the Voided Check report for October 2025 as presented. (J. Phelan, L. Nowachek; 7-0)
BUDGET TRANSFER	The Board accepts a Budget Transfer in the amount of $154,523.52 as presented. (L. Nowachek, J. Phelan; 7-0)
CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT	The Board accepts the Claims Audit Report dated November 13, 2025, as presented. (L. Kaufman, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)
WARRANTS	The Board hereby approves the October 2025 (Warrant #2) in the amount of $1,275.03 and the November 2025 warrant in the amount of $365,345.68 as presented. (M. Wyckoff, B. Chenault; 7-0)
CASH TRANSFER	The Board approves a cash transfer in the amount of $500,000.00 as presented. (J. Phelan, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Davey reported on the following:

- Halloween Parade & Celebration: Thank you to the Ocean Beach community for helping to make the Halloween parade so much fun this year. The students in grades five and six also decorated the gymnasium into a festive Halloween party, where the students finished out the day.
- Thank you to our fabulous PTA for their support and for providing so many great events, from the Farm Festival to Lunch Box Parent events, and a monthly Pizza Day lunch.
- Our Thanksgiving Feast for students and staff was held today, where those who attended shared what they are grateful and thankful for.
- We had a Fire Safety Assembly, where members of the Ocean Beach Fire Department arrived at the school with a fire truck, an ambulance and their gear. They taught our students essential fire safety practices.
- Our teachers have been reviewing student performance, and they are identifying next instructional steps to support individual academic growth.
- Student Newspaper – great job to the students in Newspaper Club…editions come out monthly.
- Student Council – Members are working on plans to expand recess options especially for indoor recess during the winter. They are also in charge of our schoolwide Thanksgiving Food Drive.
- New clubs have been added to our lineup for the winter, including Martial Arts and Kiddie Club.
- Woody Cards – Woody Cards are being given to students (and staff) who are recognized with demonstrating any of our Community Agreements: Safe, Respectful, Responsible, and Kind. Their names are then added to the "Bingo Board" to show they have been recognized.
- Emergency Go Home Drill taking place Tuesday, November 25, 2025, at 2:15 p.m.
- Thanksgiving Recess – School will be closed from Wednesday, November 26th – Friday, November 28th.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for December 11th & 12th. Early dismissal at 11:30 for our students both days.
- First Trimester Report cards to be distributed the week of December 9th, with
- Winter Program /Performance– Scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2026.
- Enrollment – At the moment we are expecting two resident Pre-K students for the 2026-27 school year. We do have some interested non-residents as well.
- Centegix – Our crisis alert system is nearly fully operational, and finalization should be completed by early next week.
- Finalsite – Our website transition is still in progress. We are working with their team to move forward with the two-way communication component.

- Transportation – Bus 23 is back in service after receiving a new engine.
- HVAC Project – The project has been closed out and we are now eligible to receive state aid reimbursement.
- Overtime Pay – We received a memo from the IRS indicating certain overtime pay will no longer be taxed.

CORRESPONDENCE	There was no correspondence.
APPROVAL 2025-2026 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – YEARBOOK COORDINATOR	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement for Yearbook Coordinator to B. Daidone for the 2025-2026 school year at the stipend rate of $2,000.00. (M. Wyckoff, L. Kaufman; 7-0)
APPROVAL TRANSPORTATION CHARTER SERVICE PROPOSAL	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the Suffolk Transportation Service, Inc. proposal for charter services, for the 2025-2026 school year. (L. Nowachek, M. Wyckoff; 7-0)
PUBLIC HEARING/ 1ST READING OF POLICY	A Public Hearing, and 1st Reading was held of policy #5681 – School Safety Plans
EXECUTIVE SESSION	A motion was made for the Board to enter executive session at 5:04 p.m. to discuss and receive counsel on negotiation matters with the Fire Island Teacher's Association. (L. Nowachek, J. Phelan; 7-0)
ADJOURNMENT	The regular meeting resumed and was immediately adjourned at 6:01 p.m. (L. Nowachek, J. Phelan; 7-0)

Robert Swierkowski
District Clerk Pro Tem