



SWEET HOME CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF AMHERST AND TONAWANDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION

STUDY SESSION

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026

6:30 PM

A G E N D A

I. A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLVED: That, the agenda set forth for the regular Board of Education meeting held Tuesday, February 10, 2026 is hereby adopted in its entirety.

III. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held Thursday, January 22, 2026 are hereby adopted in their entirety.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Superintendent update

Michael Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools, will give an update to the Board of Education at the study session on Tuesday, February 3, 2026.

B. Outstanding Educator Award

Michael Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools, will recognize Alan Baczkiewicz at the voting meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026

C. Superintendent update

Michael Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools, will give an update to the Board of Education at the voting meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026

D. Upcoming Events

•	February 1...	DO: District Music Fest @ CFA, UB, 2:00 pm
•	February 2...	DO: SHEF Meeting, 6:00 pm MS: PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
•	February 3...	DO: BOE Study Session, 6:30 pm @ NVCC
•	February 4...	MM: PTA Meeting, 6:15 pm HS: NHS Induction Ceremony 7 pm @ HS Aud
•	February 6...	MS: Musical, 7:00 pm @ MS Aud
•	February 7...	MS: Musical, 2:00 pm @ MS Aud

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VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT-continued...

D. Upcoming Events

• February 9...	HH: PTA Meeting, 5:00 pm
• February 10...	Music: HS Pops Concert, 7:30 pm @ HS Aud DO: BOE Voting Meeting, 6:30 pm @ NVCC
• February 11...	DO: Dollars for Scholars Meeting, 8 am @ DO GL: PTA Meeting, 6:30 pm
• February 12...	HH: Skating Party, 5:30 pm HS: PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
• February 13...	DO: ENL Parent Teacher Conferences, 8 am – 3 pm
• February 16-20...	<i>Mid-Winter Recess, No School Pre-K-12</i>
• February 25...	DO: DEI Committee Meeting, 4:15 pm – 6:15 pm @ NVCC
• February 27...	WR: Science Night, 6:00 – 8:00 pm GL: BINGO Night, 6:00 pm
• March 2...	DO: Alumni Association Meeting, 5:00 pm @ NVCC DO: SHEF Meeting, 6:00 pm @ NVCC MS: PTSA Meeting, 6:30 pm
• March 3-5...	DO: Dollars for Scholars Phone-a-Thon
• March 4...	MM: PTA Meeting, 6:15 pm
• March 5...	WR: PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm
• March 6-7...	Music: Jr. High All County Music Festival @ TBD
• March 6...	<i>Elementary Half Day Attendance/Report Card Day, Pre-K-5</i> MM: Winter Dance, 6:00 pm

VII. OPEN SESSION – Agenda Topics - Policy 1510

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Special Education

1. Class placements for 2025-2026 – Policy 7613

WHEREAS, Public Law 94-142, the Individuals with Disabilities Act, and Chapter 853, Laws of 1976 (New York State Education Act), requires Board of Education approval for all placements of students with disabilities, and

WHEREAS, the District Committee on Special Education has reviewed all placements, and

WHEREAS, all parents have approved said special education class placements, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That, the 2025-2026 placements for students with disabilities be approved as recommended in a memorandum to Dr. Michael V. Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools, dated January 27, 2026.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS-continued...

A. Special Education

2. Preschool class placements for 2025-2026 - Policy 7614

WHEREAS, Public Law 94-142, the Individuals with Disabilities Act, as amended by P.L. 99-457, New York State Compliance, Chapter 243 of the Laws of 1989, requires Board of Education approval for all placements of preschool students with disabilities, and

WHEREAS, the District Committee on Preschool Special Education has reviewed all placements, and

WHEREAS, all parents have approved said preschool special education placements, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That, the 2025-2026 placements for preschool students with disabilities be approved as recommended in a memorandum to Dr. Michael V. Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools, dated January 27, 2026.

B. Monthly Financial Reports - Policy 2140

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accept the Investment Schedule, the Treasurer's Report, the Budget Appropriation Status Report, the Revenue Budget Status Report, the Budget Transfer Report, and the Extra-Curricular Account Report as provided.

C. Internal Audit Report & Corrective Action Plan

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approve the Internal Audit Report for 2024-2025 and the Corrective Action Plan in response to the Internal Auditor's Report as recommended by the District Audit Committee.

D. Revised Policy - Policy 1410 - Second Reading

Board of Education By-Law #1410 states that "Board of Education policy and rules and by-laws shall be adopted, amended and/or suspended...only when the addition, amendments or suspension is first introduced in writing and is subsequently moved and seconded at a public meeting at least 27 calendar days prior to the time when such adoption, amendment and/or suspension may be voted upon."

At the regular Board of Education meeting held on January 22, 2026 the Superintendent of Schools recommends the Board of Education accept the first reading of the following revised policies.

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following revised policies as provided in the January 22, 2026 presentation.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS-continued...

D. Revised Policy – Policy 1410 – Second Reading

a.	1220 – Board Members: Nomination and Election
b.	5413 – Procurement: Uniform Grant Guidance for Federal Awards
c.	5674 – Data Networks and Security Access
d.	5681 – School Safety Plans
e.	5685 – Maximum Temperature for School Buildings and Indoor Facilities
f.	5851 – Cybersecurity Incident Response
g.	7316 – Use of Internet-Enabled Devices During the School Day
h.	7513 – Medication and Personal Care Items
i.	7521 – Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions
j.	7522 – Concussion Management

E. Revised Policy – Policy 1410 – First Reading

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At the regular Board of Education meeting held on February 10, 2026 the Superintendent of Schools recommended the Board of Education accept the first reading of the following revised policies.

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following revised policies as provided in the February 10, 2026 presentation.

a.	3311 – Notification of Disclosure of Employee Disciplinary Records
b.	5850 – Data Networks and Security Access

IX. OPEN SESSION - Policy 1510

X. PERSONNEL

I. Teaching and Administrative

A. Regular

2. Appointments

a. Tenure

RESOLVED: That, the *tenure* in the TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Brittany Weber		
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X. PERSONNEL-continued...

I. Teaching and Administrative

A. Regular

2. Appointments

c. Encumbered

RESOLVED: That, the *encumbered* in the **TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Devon Perri		
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B. Substitutes

a. Long Term

RESOLVED: That, the *long term* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Lisa Schmitt		
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d. Mentor

RESOLVED: That, the *mentor* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Nicole Baker (Chg.)	Scott Harriger	Paul Szymendera
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g. Leave of Absence

RESOLVED: That, the *leave of absence* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Sarah Wright	Kimberly Marianos (Chg.)	Patricia Miranda
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h. Reinstatement from Leave

RESOLVED: That, the *reinstatement from leave* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Ann Marie Kelly	Michael Prince	Ashleigh Emery
Kiele Barbalate		

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X. PERSONNEL-continued...

I. Teaching and Administrative

C. Interscholastic Activities

1. Interscholastic Activities (SPRING) 2025-2026

RESOLVED: That, the *interscholastic activities appointments-spring* in the **TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Jon Campolo	Michael Mettler	Cory Mitchum
Luke Rehbaum	Alex Gauld	Joseph Bennett
Jane Woloss	Keegan Woloss	Kelsey Chubb
Samantha Dean	Crystal Carlson	Rayna Davis-Tubin
Brian Koziol	Steven Becker	David Radlich
Donald Lilly	Morris Fried	Heidi Jones
Jeremy Murphy	Christopher Monaco	Jerell Thompson
Kelly Corcoran	Neal McLoughlin	Richard Cicero
Christopher Dabney	Jayna Galley	Thomas Smith
Evan Lysek	Gavin Janas	Cole Milliron

II. Service

A. Regular

1. Discontinuance

a. Retirement

RESOLVED: That, the *retirement* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Angela Martinelli		
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2. Appointments

a. Regular

RESOLVED: That, the *appointment* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Pradyuman Joshi	Debbie Opala	Amzad Khan
Christopher Dabney (Chg.)		

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X. PERSONNEL-continued...

II. Service

A. Regular

2. Appointments

f. Leave of Absence

RESOLVED: That, the *leave of absence* in the **SERVICE SECTION OF THE PERSONNEL MEMORANDUM NO. 746 dated February 10, 2026** be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Gary Mistretta	Kevin Schwab	Lisa Schmitt
Eric Keim		

g. Reinstatement from Leave

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Carla Semaan	Ariel Carlino	Gary Mistretta
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XI. ADJOURNMENT

XII. ITEMS OF INFORMATION

a. Strategic Plan ThoughtExchange Data