Minutes of Regular Meeting
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FIRE ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 10, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by President, A. Wood
MEMBERS PRESENT	B Chenault, L. Kaufman, J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood, M. Wyckoff
MEMBERS ABSENT	L. Nowachek
OTHERS PRESENT	T. Davey, Superintendent J. Lizza, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations T. Murphy, District Clerk R. Swierkowski, Treasurer B. Emigholz, School Attorney
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes of the following meeting were accepted as read: • Regular Meeting of January 13, 2026 • Budget Review/Work Session of January 27, 2026 (L. Kaufman, B. Chenault; 6-0)
FINANCIAL REPORTS (ITEMS 2a. – 2g.)	The following reports for the month of January 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) • Voided Check Report (J. Phelan, L. Kaufman; 6-0)
BUDGET TRANSFER	The Board approves a budget transfer in the amount of $1,849.40, as presented. (K. Skelly-Kurka, J. Phelan; 6-0)
CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT	The Board accepts the Claims Audit Report dated February 4, 2026, as presented. (L. Kaufman, K. Skelly-Kurka; 6-0)
WARRANT/S	The Board hereby approves the General Fund Warrant for February 2026 in the amount of $133,666.79 as presented. (J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka; 6-0)
CASH TRANSFER	The Board approves a cash transfer for the warrant and payroll in the amount of $400,000.00 as presented. (J. Phelan, B. Chenault; 6-0)
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	Mr. Davey reported on the following: • Phase 2 Strategic Plan Update – We had a great turnout with both staff and community members in attendance. District's priorities were discussed—Academic

Excellence, Student & Staff Experience, and Long-Range Planning and we outlined the next steps for refining our path forward.

- The fifth and sixth grade students applied to the Long Island Regional Planning Council's Water Quality Challenge. The challenge is open to students in grades six through twelve and focuses on nitrogen pollution and water quality. Our students decided to research how they can make a difference at home, on Fire Island.
- We are currently interviewing candidates for the leave replacement position that was posted on OLAS. Demo lessons are being scheduled.
- Progress reports have been mailed home and posted to the parent portal.
- Transportation:
    - We received our new bus and will be sending it to have the Linex installed.
    - We hired a new bus driver and she is adjusting well to the routes.
- Building updates:
    - Window and Exterior Door Bid: Cambell & Cassetta are working through the bids as there is a big variation in the bids.
    - A survey of our property has been completed in preparation of the installation of the sound dampening fencing. Projected timeline for the project aims to begin in the summer.
    - We will connect with the Ocean Beach Youth Group as to the timeline of the summer project as this will impact their use of the indoor areas of the school this summer.
- Students in third through sixth grade were invited to "Snow Play" during recess. Students came prepared with snow pants, boots and gear. They had a blast! We are hoping to include the younger grades moving forward. Feel like temperatures must be above ten degrees F in order to go outside.
- PTA Bingo – Thank you to the PTA for their fun-filled night of pizza and Bingo!
- School will be closed next week for Mid-winter recess from President's Day, February 15 – February 20, 2026.

CORRESPONDENCE	There was no correspondence.
APPROVAL – 2025-2026 EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation from Andrew Laster, part-time .6 FTE, Music Teacher, effective February 27, 2026 (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 6-0)
APPROVAL – 2025-2026 APPOINTMENT .6 FTE MUSIC TEACHER	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the appointment of Andrew Laster, part-time .6 FTE, Music Teacher, effective March 2, 2026. for the 2025-2026 school year. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 6-0)

APPROVAL – 2025-2026 ULTIMATE TRUCK & BUS REPAIR PROPOSAL	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the Ultimate Truck & Bus Repair proposal for the school year 2025-2026. (J. Phelan, M. Wyckoff; 6-0)
APPROVAL – 2025-2026 ANNUAL CALENDAR REVISION	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the revision of the 2025-2026 annual calendar to reflect the use of an inclement weather day on January 26, 2026. School will be in session on April 2, 2026. (K. Skelly-Kurka, J. Phelan; 6-0)
APPROVAL – 2026-2027 ANNUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the 2026-2027 Annual School Calendar. (L. Kaufman, M. Wyckoff; 6-0)
APPROVAL – 2026-2027 BOARD OF EDUCATION CALENDAR	The Board approves the 2026-2027 Annual Board of Education Calendar. (K. Skelly-Kurka, B. Chenault; 6-0)
APPROVAL – CSE RECOMMENDATIONS	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as presented. (L. Kaufman, M. Wyckoff; 6-0)
EXECUTIVE SESSION	A motion was made for the Board to enter Executive Session at 5:11 p.m. to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. (J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka; 6-0)
ADJOURNMENT	The regular meeting resumed and immediately adjourned at 6:12 p.m. (K. Skelly-Kurka, M. Wyckoff; 6-0)

Traci Murphy
District Clerk