BETHANY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2026
Via Zoom Meeting

PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Johanna Fernandez	Kai Byrd
Melissa Zaldo	Donna Ricciardi
VISITOR	**ABSENT**
	Amy Lestinsky

Call to Order Mrs. Zaldo called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Minutes **Motion** by, Fernandez seconded by Zaldo to accept the February 10, 2026 meeting minutes as presented for the record. *The motion carries 2 yes (Fernandez, Zaldo), 1 absent (Lestinsky)*

New Business **Budget Summary - February 2026**
Ms. Ricciardi provided an update on the general education, special education, and operations and overhead portions of the budget as of February 28, 2026.

Mrs. Byrd shared that the 2026-2027 Superintendent's Proposed Spending Plan budgetary increase remains at 7.49%.

Mrs. Fernandez and Mrs. Zaldo shared their thoughts regarding the budget increase and discussed possible scenarios with Mrs. Byrd.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Future Meeting Agenda Items
- Approval of March 10, 2026 meeting minutes
- March 2026 Operating Budget Summary
- 2026-2027 Budget Update

Donna Ricciardi
Recorder

APPROVED