

Work Study Meeting
(Wednesday, January 7, 2026)
See 1-7-2026 Hand Carry Agenda Docket
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HEMPSTEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK STUDY MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2026
MINUTES

The Board of Education Work Study Meeting of the Hempstead Union Free School District was held at the A.B.G.S. Middle School, 70 Greenwich Street, Hempstead, New York 11550. The meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm pm, motioned by Trustee Williams, seconded by Trustee Pratt. Trustee Johnson arrived at 5:15 pm.

Board Members Present:

Trustee Jeffrey Spencer
Trustee Victor Pratt
Trustee Elise Nicholson
Trustee LaMont E. Johnson
Trustee Joylette Williams, PhD.
Ex- Officio Student Trustee Kimberly Martinez

NYSED Monitor/ Trustee Ex. Officio Present:

Dr. William Johnson

Staff Members Present:

Mr. Gary Rush	Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Rodney Gilmore	Associate Superintendent for Personnel
Mr. Richard Brown	Acting Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. James Clark	Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel
Mr. Jamal Scott	Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations
Mrs. Djuana Wilson	Assistant Superintendent for Special Education
Ms. April Keys	District Clerk
Ms. Lottie Whitehead	District Clerk Pro Tem
Mr. Anthony Fasano	General Counsel
Mr. Johnathan Scher	Labor Counsel

A. OPENING OF MEETING

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance
Procedural: 2. Moment of Silence

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action: 1. Executive Session

Trustee Williams moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to enter to executive session at 5:02 pm.

MOTION YES 4 MOTION CARRIED

C. OPEN SESSION

Action: 1. Open Session

Trustee Johnson moved, seconded by Trustee Williams to re-convene to open session at 6:35 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

D. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Reports: 1. President's Report

E. TRUSTEES' REPORT

Reports: 1. Trustees' Reports

F. EX-OFFICIO STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

Information, Procedural: 1. Ex-Officio Student Trustee Report

G. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Reports: 1. Superintendent's Report

H. INFORMATIONAL

Information: 1. Informational

I. PRESENTATION(S)

Information: 1. Presentation - Rhodes Academy

J. WAIVER OF POLICY # 2342

Action: 1. Waiver of Policy # 2342

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Spencer to enter to waive policy #2342.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF HAND CARRY AGENDA DOCKET ITEMS

Action: Approval of hand carry agenda docket items.

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Johnson to enter to approve hand carry agenda docket items.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

K. Nassau County Polling Place Agreement

Action: 1. Nassau County Polling Place Agreement

L. UPSEU Memorandum of Agreement

Action: 1. UPSEU Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

M. EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Action: 1. Employment Agreement

Action: 2. Employment Agreement

Action: 3. Employment Agreement

N. USE OF FACILITIES

Action: 1. Use of Facilities

O. CIVIL SERVICE

Action: 1. CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

P. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE AGENDA DOCKET

Discussion, Procedural: 1. Review and Discussion of the Agenda Docket

Trustee Williams moved, seconded by Trustee Nicholson to enter to executive session at 6:57 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Johnson moved, seconded by Trustee Nicholson to enter to re-convene to open session at 8:26 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Johnson moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by:

April Keys, District Clerk

You may watch this meeting at: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/11759550?video=1152236000>