

**Regular Meeting
(Wednesday, January 14, 2026)
See 1-14-2026 Agenda Docket**

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**HEMPSTEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 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 5:03 pm pm, motioned by Trustee Williams, seconded by Trustee Pratt. There was no public participation.

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
Mrs. Lisa Hutchinson	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 Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Williams to adjourn meeting @ 5:39 pm pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

C. OPEN SESSION

Action: 1. Open Session

Trustee Williams moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to adjourn meeting @ 6:46 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. PRESENTATION

Discussion, Information: 1. Presentation - Hempstead High School

I. INFORMATIONAL

Information: 1. Informational

J. WAIVER OF POLICY # 2342

Action: 1. Waiver of Policy # 2342

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

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

K. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA DOCKET**Action (Consent): 1. Approval of the Consent Agenda Docket**

Trustee Williams moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to approve consent agenda docket.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

L. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**Procedural: 1. Public Participation****M. BOARD OPERATIONS**

Action: 1. Board of Education Meeting Minutes

N. BUSINESS & OPERATIONS

Action: 1. Warrants

Action: 2. Treasurer's Report

O. DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT

Action: 1. Disposal of Equipment

P. SPECIAL EDUCATION

Action: 1. CPSE/CSE

Q. PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

Action: 1. Revised District Wide Safety Plan Posting for Public Comment

R. PERSONNEL

Action: 1. RESIGNATION

Action: 2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Action: 3. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Action: 4. TENURE RECOMMENDATION(S)

Action: 5. TEACHER MENTOR

Action: 6. ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY COACH

Action: 7. SUBSTITUTE TEACHER(S)

Action: 8. 6TH PERIOD CLASS COVERAGE

Action: 9. WINTER COACHES

Action: 10. DISTRICT PODCAST PRODUCER

Action: 11. AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

Action: 12. REGENTS SCORING

Action: 13. ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SERVICES (AIS)

S. CIVIL SERVICE

Action: 1. RESIGNATION

Action: 2. CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Action: 3. TERMINATION

MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action: 4. CHANGE HOURLY RATES

EXECUTIVE SESSION**Action: 1. Executive Session**

Trustee Williams moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to enter to executive session @ 8:14 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

RE-CONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**Action: 1. Open Session**

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Williams to re-convene to open session @ 8:46 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Johnson moved, seconded by Trustee Pratt to approve item moved to executive session.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

T. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Pratt moved, seconded by Trustee Williams to adjourn meeting @ 8:47 pm.

MOTION YES 5 MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by:
April Keys, District Clerk

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