

Capital School District
198 Commerce Way
Dover, DE 19904-3498

Thursday, February 26, 2026
In-Person/Live Stream Meeting
Administrative Office
MINUTES



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. Chanda Jackson, President
Sean P. M. Christiansen, Vice
President
Felecia R. Duggins
Vickie L. Pendleton
Donna J. Geist

(A)	ACTION
(D)	DISCUSSION
(I)	INFORMATION

Board Members Present:

Dr. Jackson
Mr. Christiansen
Ms. Duggins
Ms. Pendleton
Ms. Geist

Also Present:

Dr. Victoir T. Cahoon, Superintendent
Mr. Toriano Giddens, Assistant
Superintendent

1.0 Open Session

Vice President Sean Christiansen called the meeting to order. On a motion by Ms. Pendleton, seconded by Ms. Duggins, and on a unanimous vote, the board entered open session at 5:31p.m.

1.01 Roll Call – Establishment of a Quorum

On a roll call vote of 5/0: Ms. Geist – present Ms. Pendleton – present; Ms. Duggins – present; Mr. Christiansen – present; Dr. Jackson – present, quorum was established.

Dr. Jackson arrived at roll call.

1.02 Open Session

1.03 Public Comment

Mr. Thomas Leighty, Chair of the Dover High School Social Studies Department, spoke regarding concerns with the Dover High School course schedule proposed by the administration in adding Financial Literacy to the graduation requirements for incoming freshmen to be scheduled in the 2026-2027 school year.

1.04 Dover High School Delaware Financial Literacy Graduation Requirement for Incoming Freshmen 2026-2027 School Year (Resolution No. 26-077)

On a motion by Ms. Pendleton, seconded by Ms. Duggins, and on a roll call vote of 3/2: Ms. Geist – no; Ms. Pendleton – yes; Ms. Duggins – yes, Mr. Christiansen – no, Dr. Jackson – yes, the board adopted Resolution No. 26-077, in accordance with House Bill 203 – Delaware Financial Literacy Requirement, approving the proposed Dover High School Social Studies course sequence for the 2026-2027 school year.

Grade	Required Courses	Credits
9	Political Science (0.5) + Geography (0.5)	1.0
10	Economics and Financial Literacy (required)	1.0
11	U.S. History (required/foundation of DeSSA assessment)	1.0
12	Electives (Criminal Justice, Psychology, Sociology, World History Elective (1.0), etc.)	Variable

1.05 Change of March Board Meeting date due to a conflict that came to the District's Attention on February 24, 2026 and cannot be deferred (Resolution No. 26-093) (Revised Resolution No.)

On a motion by Mr. Christiansen, seconded by Ms. Pendleton, and on a unanimous vote, the date of the March Board Meeting was rescheduled to March 12, 2026.

1.06 Executive Session

On a motion by Mr. Christiansen, seconded by Ms. Duggins, and on a unanimous vote, the board entered executive session at 6:25 p.m.

Mr. Christiansen announced that at the conclusion of executive session, the board will not be reconvening into public session.

2.0 Adjournment

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On a motion by Ms. Duggins, seconded by Mr. Christiansen, and on a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.