

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**John F. Kennedy High School, Library**  
**Tuesday, May 19, 2026**  
**8:00 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge

Board President called meeting to order

Roll Call

Roll Call: Gary Sieczkarek - President  
James Stachewicz – Vice President  
Stephanie Dombrowski  
Jennifer L. Kregg  
Denise McCowan  
Zachary Smith  
Racheal Tarapacki

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by R. Tarapacki to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 21, 2026 and the Public Hearing of May 12, 2026.

Approve  
Minutes

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April, 2026 as submitted.

Approve  
Reports

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by J. Stachewicz, to approve the Student Activities Report and School Lunch Report for the month of April, 2026 as submitted.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the Appropriation Status Report and the Revenue Report for the period ending April 30, 2026 as submitted.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by R. Tarapacki, to suspend the reading of each Warrant payment and to approve payments for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund, and Capital Fund as submitted.

Approve  
Payments

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Student Representative – Monthly highlights for each school

Presentation

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by J. Stachewicz, to accept the resignation from Hannah Tanalski, Special Education Teacher at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, effective June 26, 2026.

Resignation:  
H. Tanalski

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by R. Tarapacki, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the submitted Coaches shall be appointed for the 2026-2027 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Appointments:  
Coaches

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Felicia Herrmann, be appointed to the School Nurse position at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School effective May 26, 2026. This position holds a 6-month probationary period. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

School Nurse  
F. Herrmann

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by Z. Smith seconded by S. Dombrowski, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Lauren Bergman, certified in Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), be appointed to the Elementary Teaching Position in the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District effective August 27, 2026. This position holds a probationary period beginning August 27, 2026 through August 26, 2030. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

L. Bergman  
Elementary

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following tenure appointments be approved:

Tenure:  
Malkowski  
Moloney  
K. Smith  
Farrell

- Nicole Malkowski, being certified in Students with Disabilities (Grades 7-12), be granted tenure effective 9/1/2026.
- Kathryn Moloney, being certified in Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), be granted tenure effective 9/1/2026.
- Katelyn Smith, being certified in Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2), Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), be granted tenure effective 9/1/2026.
- Christopher Farrell, being certified as a School Building Leader, be granted tenure effective June 30, 2026.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Stachewicz, to approve the recommendation from the CSE/CPSE as submitted.

CSE/CPSE

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the following field trip requests:

Field Trips

- Erin Stillman and Christopher Farrell to take five JFK Middle School students to the Cheektowaga Town Park on May 27, 2026 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for the *Blue Bridges Male Empowerment Day*. Cost to the District: 1 bus.
- Erin Stillman and Christopher Farrell to take five JFK Middle School students to the Cheektowaga Town Park on June 2, 2026 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for the *Blue Bridges Female Empowerment Day*. Cost to the District: 1 bus.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by R. Tarapacki, to accept the following Statement of Profit and Loss:

Profit and Loss

- The Varsity K Club sold concession stand items on May 5, 2026 and May 8, 2026. The statement shows a profit of \$184.56.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the agreement by and between the Erie County Department of Social Services and the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District beginning July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the same agreement, as submitted.

Agreement with  
Erie Co. Dept.  
of Social  
Services  
2026-2027

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by Z. Smith, to approve the budgetary transfers as submitted.

Budget  
Transfers

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by R. Tarapacki seconded by S. Dombrowski, to adopt the following resolution:

Summer  
Feeding  
Program

WHEREAS, The District has been approved to provide meals for children under 18 years of age; and

WHEREAS, in order for NYSED to complete our enrollment in the program, the Board of Education is required to authorize the Cheektowaga Sloan Union Free School District to participate in the Summer Feeding Program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cheektowaga Sloan Union Free School District approves the 2026 Summer Feeding Program as submitted.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Stachewicz, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the first reading of the updated policies as submitted and listed below. The second reading and adoption are scheduled to take place on June 16, 2026:

Updated  
Policies –  
First Reading

Policy # 1620, 1640, 5676, 6410, 7132, 7241, 7315, 7513, and 7521.

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education shall approve the donation as submitted.

Donation

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

*Meeting paused at 8:30 p.m.*  
*Meeting resumed at 9:25 p.m.*

*Pause/Resume  
Meeting*

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by J. Stachewicz, to accept the following results of the Proposition and Board of Education Election:

**Proposition #1:**

Shall the Board of Education of the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District be authorized to expend the sums set forth in the proposed 2026-2027 Budget in the amount of \$44,146,792 and to levy the necessary tax?

Budget Passed

**Yes = 220            No = 102**

**Board Member** – To elect one (1) member to the Board of Education, serving a five (5) year term, commencing on July 1, 2026, and expiring on June 30, 2031. The position is currently held by Zachary Smith. Vote for one:

Board Member  
L. Harmon

Lesly Harmon    258

Motion by R. Tarapacki seconded by J. Kregg to adjourn this meeting at 9:29 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion Carried            7 Ayes 0 Noes 0 Absent 0 Abstain

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Knaebe  
District Clerk