



GOODWIN UNIVERSITY MAGNET SCHOOL SYSTEM, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Thursday, April 23, 2026 at 4:00PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Members Present: Jackie Jacoby, Todd Andrews, Lee Anne Housley, Susan Johnson, Eddie Meyer

Members Absent: Merilee DeJohn, Megan Mehr, Mark Scheinberg and Kevin Skrodzki

Staff Present: Sal Menzo, Sarah Burke, David Daye, J.T. Foster, Jessica Gomez-Bedosky, Gina Juliano, Dan Moleti, Windy Peterson, Timothy Pivirotto, and Jenna Toner

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Jackie Jacoby.

2. Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

3. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of GUMS Board Minutes of January 29, 2026

The January 29, 2026 meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board.

Todd Andrews motioned that the Board of Directors vote to approve the January 29, 2026 meeting minutes. Lee Housley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Business Requiring Action

a. GUMS Resolution 26-03 – Corporate Resolution to Appoint a Director to the Goodwin University Magnet Schools, Inc. Board of Directors

Lee Housley motioned for the Board of Directors to recommend the appointment of Susan Johnson, as a Director on the Goodwin University Magnet Schools, Inc. Board of Directors. Todd Andrews seconded the motion.

Jackie Jacoby introduced Susan Johnson for appointment to the Board of Directors. Sal Menzo and Jackie Jacoby spoke to the appointment and shared information about Ms. Johnson. They thanked her for volunteering her time and look forward to working with her.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Presentation and approval of Connecticut Healthy Food Certification (HFC)

i. Approval of HFC Participation - Motion #1

Sal Menzo shared how the Healthy Food Certification works for the district. Jackie Jacoby read the following motion into the record.

Business Requiring Action - cont'd

Approval of HFC Participation - Motion #1

Required vote for participation in healthy food option of HFC Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the Goodwin University Magnet School System certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, **will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards** during the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.

Jackie Jacoby motioned that the Goodwin University Magnet School System Board of Directors vote to approve participation in the Connecticut Healthy Foods Certification. Todd Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ii. Approval of Food and Beverage Exemptions - Motion #2

Jackie Jacoby read the following motion into the record.

Food and Beverage Exemptions - Motion #2

The Goodwin University Magnet School System will allow the sale to students of **food items** that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards and **beverages** not listed in Section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes **provided that the following conditions are met**: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the food and beverage items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The “regular school day” is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the food and beverage sales.

Jackie Jacoby motioned that the Goodwin University Magnet School System Board of Directors vote to approve the Food and Beverage Exemptions. Todd Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. GUMS Resolution 26-04 – Corporate Resolution to Approve Goodwin University Magnet School System Policies

ia. Revised Policy 1004 - Non-Discrimination (Community)

Jessica Gomez Bedosky presented Revised Policy 1004 - Non-Discrimination (Community). The one change to the policy will be the Title VI Coordinator should be Jessica Gomez Bedosky, not Dr. Menzo. This change will need to be made before the policy is posted to the website.

Revised Policy 1004 - Non-Discrimination (Community) - cont'd

Todd Andrews motioned that the Board of Directors vote to approve GUMS Resolution 26-04 - Revised Policy 1004 - Non-Discrimination (Community). Lee Housley seconded the motion.

Questions and discussion followed regarding reporting of discrimination issues, i.e. reporting to males or females and does the district have an avenue to ensure reporting is done with the preferred staff member.

The motion passed unanimously.

ib. New Policy 6012 - Instruction - Library Collection, Collection Development and Maintenance, Library Displays and Programs, and Library Material Review and Reconsideration

Jessica Gomez-Bedosky presented New Policy, 6012 - Instruction - Library Collection, Collection Development and Maintenance, Library Displays and Programs, and Library Material Review and Reconsideration.

Lee Housley motioned that the Board of Directors vote to approve GUMS Resolution 26-04 - New Policy 6012 - Instruction - Library Collection, Collection Development and Maintenance, Library Displays and Programs, and Library Material Review and Reconsideration. Todd Andrews seconded the motion.

Discussion followed regarding the roles of board members' roles within the new policy.

The motion passed unanimously.

d. GUMS Resolution 26-05 – Corporate Resolution to Approve the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Budget

i. Presentation and approval of the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Budget:

Todd Andrews motioned that the Board of Directors vote to approve GUMS Resolution 26-05 – Corporate Resolution to Approve the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Operating Budget in the amount of \$34,501,397. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion.

Directors were provided the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Budget presentation prior to the meeting. Sal Menzo walked the board through the budget presentation. The 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Operating Budget was presented as \$34,501,397. Discussion followed the presentation.

The motion passed unanimously.

e. GUMS Resolution 26-06 – Corporate Resolution to Approve the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Child Nutrition Program Budget

i. Presentation and approval of the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Child Nutrition Program Budget

David Daye presented the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Child Nutrition Program Budget.

Todd Andrews motioned that the Board of Directors vote to approve GUMS Resolution 26-06 – Corporate Resolution to Approve the 2026-2027 Goodwin University Magnet School System Child Nutrition Program Budget. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Superintendent and Staff Updates

- a. There were no updates from the Superintendent or staff at this time.

6. GUMSS Board of Directors 2025-2026 Meeting Dates

- a. June 17, 2026

7. Adjournment

With no other business to come before the board. Jackie Jacoby motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 p.m. Todd Andrews seconded the motion. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Meeting Minutes Recorded by:

Susan Everett

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GUMSS Board Recording Secretary