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A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: Debra Sheinin, President; Cheryl May, Vice President
Judy Menashe, Francois Tenenbaum, Shari L. Amitrano,
Chana Jeter, Meredith King

July 8, 2026

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Board convened its Organizational Meeting at 5:00 p.m. to establish annual appointments, authorizations, and governance structures for the 2026-2027 school year. The Board approved Board appointments, annual appointments of Board service personnel, the schedule of Central Treasurers, designated newspapers for legal notices, designated banks as depositories, the appointment of bond counsel and financial advisors, authorization to secure crime bonds, and additional annual authorizations.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Board approved resolutions authorizing Board members to appoint impartial hearing officers for the 2026-2027 school year. The Board also approved appointments to the Committee on Special Education and Section 504 Committees for the 2026-2027 school year.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

The Board approved the 2026-2027 Board of Education Accountability Statement. The Board adopted its 2026-2027 Board Goals, reaffirming its commitment to student-centered decision-making, supporting District goals, fiscal responsibility, and community engagement. The Board also approved the District Goals for the 2026-2027 school year, emphasizing rigorous instruction, the ethical integration of Artificial Intelligence, strong family and community partnerships, and the continued support of students' social, emotional, and physical well-being. In addition, the Board approved the Board of Education Norms and Protocols and Board representation on committees and organizations for the 2026-2027 school year.

POLICY ACTION

The Board approved Policy #6240, Investment Policy.

The Organizational Meeting adjourned at 5:07 PM.

REGULAR MEETING

Board President Debra Sheinin called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Anzalone reflected on the successful conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year, highlighting the Scholarship Soirée, graduation and moving up ceremonies across the District, and elementary

school time machine walk-through celebrations. She also shared that the District's summer programs are underway and expressed appreciation to the teachers and staff leading those programs. Dr. Anzalone welcomed new District directors, provided an update on the Ogden Elementary School principal search, noting that a decision is anticipated following committee feedback, and shared that the District's administrative retreat would focus on team building and leadership development.

STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

Student Advisory Council Executive Board President Ella Findling reported on a smooth conclusion to the school year, including final exams, and shared that student leaders are already preparing for the upcoming school year by organizing Homecoming, the pep rally, fundraisers, and other activities designed to strengthen school spirit and student engagement.

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS REPORT

Kaitlin Coder, of HWFA, reflected on a successful school year and thanked staff for their continued dedication. Appreciation was also expressed for the collaborative work of the Board's Policy Committee, and updates were shared on professional learning opportunities and summer programming led by District teachers.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Menashe reported on behalf of the Special Education Committee, which recommends approval of the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE).
- Mr. Tenenbaum reported on behalf of the Capital Improvements Committee, providing updates on ongoing facilities projects, including improvements to the Woodmere Middle School softball field, proposed storage facilities for athletic equipment, and traffic flow improvements.
- Mrs. May reported on behalf of the Policy Committee, recommending approval of Policy #1336, Fee Policy.

BOARD OF EDUCATION NON-COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD, AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

ROUTINE ACTIONS

The Board approved the June 17, 2026 Board of Education meeting minutes. The Board also approved the consent agenda, including instructional, personnel, financial, and miscellaneous actions, with the exception of Schedule C - Coaches, Volunteer Coaches, and Hewlett Elementary School appointments, and the Schedule of Contracts, which were considered separately. The Board subsequently approved the Schedule of Contracts following discussion and approved Policy #1336,

Fee Policy. Action on Schedule C was deferred for further discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Wednesday, August 19, Woodmere Education Center

Regular Meeting, 5:00 PM

NOTE:

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