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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

September 9, 2026

WORK MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Board President, Mrs. Debra Sheinin, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Sheinin acknowledged the upcoming 25th anniversary of September 11 and recognized the flags and "Hewlett-Woodmere Remembers" signs displayed throughout the District. She expressed gratitude for the community's continued commitment to honoring those who were lost, recognizing the bravery of first responders, and teaching students about the significance of September 11 through the core values of service, compassion, and unity.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS *(linked below)*

Facilities Update

Mr. Caliendo of School Construction Corp., accompanied by Director of School Facilities and Operations, Mr. William Dworsak, provided an update on construction progress throughout the District. Board Members asked questions regarding lighting for the tennis courts.

Summer Playschool Report

Ms. Barbara Giese, Executive Director of Communications, Community Services, Registration, & Grants, provided an overview of the 2026 Summer Playschool program, including enrollment, revenue and expenses related to lunches, transportation, supplies, and utilities. The program awarded 18 scholarships.

Board Members discussed the structure and length of the full-day program. Questions were raised about the program's budget and whether a shorter program might be considered in the future. Other Board Members emphasized the value of the full-day program in providing students with meaningful engagement throughout the summer.

A parent and student also addressed the Board in support of the program, highlighting its benefits to children, families, and the community.

MTSS and Academic Intervention Services Plan

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Innovation**,** Dr. Patrick Fogarty reviewed the continuation of the District's Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) and Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Plan for the 2026-2027 school year.

APPR Training Plan
Dr. Fogarty reviewed the annual APPR training plan for District staff for the 2026-2027 school year.

Administrative Presentations Schedule
Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Dina Anzalone reviewed the schedule for upcoming administrative presentations. Minor adjustments are still being made to the schedule.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Michael Goldberg, Business Administrator, reviewed the following financial reports:

- Treasurer's Report, including a new reporting format
- Budget Status Reports
- Revenue Status Reports
- Warrants and Summary of Findings of the Claims Auditor for July 2026

FINANCIAL ACTIONS

Mr. Goldberg reviewed the following financial actions:

- Schedule of Contracts
- Schedule of Board Appointments
- Surplus Equipment
- Transfers of Appropriation

CURRICULUM/MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS

Dr. Fogarty reviewed the following:

- Conference and Travel
- UPK Allocations for 2026-2027

NYSSBA Proposed Resolutions Book
Board Trustee, Mr. Francois Tenenbaum, the Board's voting delegate for the 2026 NYSSBA Annual Business Meeting, reviewed the proposed resolutions and bylaw amendments with the Board and surveyed Board Members regarding their positions on the items.

Superintendent Evaluation Model and Goals
Dr. Anzalone provided an overview of the Superintendent Evaluation Model and goals for the 2026-2027 school year.

POLICY ACTIONS

Dr. Anzalone presented the following policies for initial and final review:
Initial Review:

- **Policy #1500:** Public Use of School Facilities
- **Policy #4710:** Grading Systems

- **Policy #5280:** Interscholastic Athletics. Board Members discussed language regarding malicious intent, spacing within the policy and attendance requirements following five periods.
- **Policy #5695:** Students and Personal Electronic Devices. Board Members discussed provisions regarding students bringing their own calculators.
- **Policy #6700:** Purchasing
- **Policy #8135:** Instructional Technology Systems: Disaster Recovery Plan

Final Review:

- **Policy #4327:** Homebound Instruction. Board Members discussed references to NYCRR Article 2 and noted that certain language is intentionally repeated for emphasis.
- **Policy #5100:** Attendance
- **Policy #5280.1:** Student Participation on Non-School Sponsored Athletic Teams
- **Policy #8635:** Information and Data Privacy, Security, Breach and Notification
- **Policy #8700:** Insurance

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

None

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:00 PM.

UPCOMINGS MEETINGS:

Wednesday, September 16, 2026, Woodmere Education Center
6:30 PM - New Employee Reception
7:30 PM - Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 7, 2026, Woodmere Education Center
7:00 PM - Work Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2026, Woodmere Education Center
7:30 PM - Regular Meeting

NOTE:

Click HERE for the agenda and supporting documentation for the September 9 meeting.
Click HERE for the Capital Improvements Program/Construction Update.
Click HERE for the Summer Playschool Report.
Click HERE for the MTSS and Academic Intervention Services Plan presentation.
Click HERE for the APPR Training Plan presentation.
Click HERE for the Administrative Reports to the BOE Schedule for 26-27.