GOODWIN UNIVERSITY MAGNET SCHOOL SYSTEM, INC.
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Thursday, October 29, 2026 at 4:00PM
Virtual Meeting via TEAMS

Members Present*:* Jackie Jacoby, Lee Anne Housley, Susan Johson, Megan Mehr, Eddie Meyer
Members Absent: Merilee DeJohn and Mark Scheinberg;
Staff Present*:* Sal Menzo, Mark Ambruso, David Daye, J.T. Foster, Jessica Gomez-Bedosky, Gina Juliano, Dan Moleti, Tim Pivirotto, and Jenna Toner;
Guests Present: Angie Sirois

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Jackie Jacoby.

2. Public Comment

No members of the public wished to address the Board.

3. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of GUMS Board Minutes of June 17, 2026

Minutes from the June 17, 2026 GUMS board meeting were reviewed by the Board.

Megan Mehr motioned to approve the minutes. Lee Housley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Business Requiring Action

a. GUMS Resolution 26-07 – Corporate Resolution to Elect the Officers of Goodwin University Magnet Schools, Inc.

Jackie Jacoby read into the record the Elected Officers of Goodwin University Magnet Schools, Inc. as,

Jacqueline Jacoby	Chair
Megan Mehr	Vice Chair
Lee Housley	Secretary
Edwin Meyer	Treasurer

Lee Housley motioned to approve GUMS Resolution 26-07 – Election of Officers of Goodwin University Magnet Schools, Inc. Megan Mehr seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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b. **GUMS Resolution 26-08 – Corporate Resolution to Approve Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy**

1. Policy 1011 - Regarding Visitors and Observations in Schools

Megan Mehr motioned to approve GUMS Resolution 26-08 – Approval of Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy 1011. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. **GUMS Resolution 26-09 – Corporate Resolution to Approve Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy**

1. Policy 4005 - Personnel - Reports Of Suspected Abuse Or Neglect Of Children Or Reports Of Sexual Assault Of Students By School Employees

Lee Housley motioned to approve GUMS Resolution 26-09 – Approval of Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy 4005. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

d. **GUMS Resolution 26-10 – Corporate Resolution to Approve Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy**

1. Policy 4012 - Personnel - Family and Medical Leave

Megan Mehr motioned to approve GUMS Resolution 26-10 – Approval of Revisions to Goodwin University Magnet Schools System Policy 4012. Lee Housley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Superintendent and Staff Updates

Dr. Menzo provided the Superintendent Update. Highlights from his presentation included: introduction of new staff, Mark Ambruso and Tim Pivirotto, he provided tours of the new building to RiverTech staff; he is continuing his work for the new building with Australia and hosts weekly meetings with them. A successful RSCO fair was held October 24th at CTRA. Hartford Healthcare staff joined the Phlebotomy students as the 3rd floor is not co-branded with Hartford Healthcare. He recently went on an Electric Boat tour in Groton with Anja Pennell; there will be a welding instructor from Electric Boat joining the RiverTech staff. We are in the final stages of putting together the grant with the Department of War.

David Daye provided an enrollment update. Highlights of his report included the current enrollment is 1,495 students. The final number should be 1,486, we have 40 students less than expected. We are starting the year short, so currently mitigation strategies are in place. We have not received increases from the State. We should be able to close the gap, so there should be no impact to the students.

We are working with CREC around “What is our deficit?” We are all developing our legislative platforms for the upcoming session.

Jackie Jacoby thanked David Daye for all of his work in putting the District Safety Plan together. It is a 380 page document, which was a huge undertaking.

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5. Superintendent and Staff Updates - cont'd

Crisis tabletop activities have begun at all levels.

We are working with the university on the search for a new Director of Safety.

Sal Menzo thanked David Daye for his introduction to HHC staff; the introduction has yielded our new partnership and we are working on exciting new pathways.

6. Reminder of Future Meeting Dates

a. **Tuesday, November 17, 2026 - Special Meeting**
   Please note there will be a Special GUMS Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. via Teams. The packet will be sent out a week prior to the meeting.
b. **Thursday, January 28, 2027**
c. **Thursday, April 22, 2027**
d. **Wednesday, June 16, 2027**

7. Adjournment

With no other business to come before the board. Lee Housley motioned to adjourn the meeting. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4:30 p.m.)

Meeting Minutes Recorded by:

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