

A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: Debra Sheinin, President; Cheryl May, Vice President; Mitchell A. Greebel, Judy Menashe, Francois Tenenbaum, Shari L. Amitrano, Jonathan D. Altus

BUDGET MEETING

The budget meeting began at 6:30 PM. The budget presentation can be found HERE.

WORK MEETING

The work meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The treasurer's report was presented by Mrs. Donnelly. There were no questions.

Mrs. Kavanagh presented the Instructional and Administrative Technology Update. Please click HERE to view the presentation. Board members commented about the wonderful job the IT department has done throughout the pandemic. A Board member asked if there was a way to identify students who may be falling behind due to the pandemic.

Dr. Fund presented the Art and Music update. The presentation can be found HERE. A Board member thanked Dr. Fund for sharing our wonderful world of art and music. Another Board member was impressed with the effort to display and promote art outside of our school buildings.

Mrs. Donnelly presented the Business Office Reports: Budget Status Report, Revenue Status Report, and Preliminary Fund Balance Report.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the Schedule of Contracts. A Board member asked about COVID-19 protocols at the Tilles Center for the HHS graduation.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the Schedule of Bids, which includes the transportation bid to Madonna Heights.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the RFP for transportation to public, non-public, and special education schools both within and outside the District for the years 2022-23 through 2026-2027.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed three SEQRA resolutions: Various Capital Projects 2021-22; Various Capital Projects 2022-23; and Hewlett High School Installation of a New Intrusion Alarm.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the resolution for the propositions to be placed on the May 17, 2022 ballot.

Dr. Marino reviewed the resolution for legal notices of election to be published four times within the seven weeks preceding the election.

Dr. Marino reviewed the resolution to pilot a program to record Board of Education Meetings for posting on the website. He was asked if there was a cost associated with the project. There is no cost as the District is using its own equipment.

Mr. Hogan reviewed upcoming conferences and travel. Mrs. Parahus will be attending two conferences at no cost to the District.

Mr. Hogan reviewed the following three policies for final approval: #4321.1 Impartial Hearing Officer Appointment and Compensation; #6680 Internal Audit; #1339 Use of Mailing Lists and Addressing Facilities (for abolishment).

Mr. Hogan reviewed the following policies for initial review: #4010 Equivalence in Instructional Staff 7 Materials; #0110 Sexual Harassment; #0115 Student Bullying, Harassment, Prevention and Intervention; #5300 Code of Conduct; #5465 Child Abuse in an Educational Setting; #8115 Integrated Pest Management.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

A community member spoke about the possibility of having IT assistance after hours for students.

A high school student also agreed that after hours assistance would be helpful.

A community member questioned the budget implications of an after hours IT Help Desk.

A community member asked about student use of Google.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Kravtsova asked about the transparency of the Board of Education and the need to discuss topics that are of importance to parents.

A community member thanked the Board of Education.

A community member asked about a movie shown at HES.

A community member discussed the after school IT Help Desk.

A community member spoke about guest speakers in classrooms and the need for parents to know in advance.

A community member asked for more transparency about the Princeton Plan Task Force.

A community member asked about the aid we receive from the state.

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:25 PM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Wednesday, March 16, 2022, Woodmere Education Center, 8:00 PM: Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 17, 2022, Woodmere Education Center, 7:00 PM: Budget Meeting

Tuesday, March 22, 2022, Woodmere Education Center, 7:00 PM: Public Budget Forum

NOTE:

Click <u>here</u> for the agenda and supporting documentation for the March 9 Budget Meeting. Click <u>here</u> for the agenda and supporting documentation for the March 9 Work Meeting.