

**GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Greenwich, CT**

**Board of Education Meeting Agenda Document Cover Sheet**

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**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF  
GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

This special meeting of the Greenwich Board of Education for the purpose of considering the expulsion of Student No.: **001084904** was called to order by Karen Kowalski, Chair, at approximately 9:18 a.m. on June 12, 2024. Present also were Board Members Karen Hirsh, Sophie Koven, and Laura Kostin. The Administration was represented by Attorney Abby Wadler. The Board was represented by Attorney Gregory J. Vetter. **Student No.: 001084904** was present. **Student No.: 001084904** was represented by an attorney. The parents of **Student No.: 001084904** were present.

A hearing on the issue of the expulsion was conducted. After all evidence and arguments were heard, Karen Kowalski moved to go into Executive Session and Karen Hirsh seconded. All voted in favor and the panel retired to Executive Session at approximately 10:57 a.m. Karen Kowalski moved to come out of Executive Session and Karen Hirsh seconded. All voted in favor. The panel came out of Executive Session at approximately 11:45 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session. A consensus appeared, however, to exist. A summary of the Decision was delivered orally. The attached is a copy of the written Decision.

Karen Kowalski moved that the Decision be adopted by the Board. Karen Hirsh seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

Karen Kowalski moved that the meeting be adjourned. Karen Hirsh seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:59 a.m.

Greenwich Board of Education

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Karen Kowalski  
Chair of the Board Panel

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF  
GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

This special meeting of the Greenwich Board of Education for the purpose of considering the expulsion of Student No.: **001081986** was called to order by Karen Kowalski, Chair, at approximately 12:20 p.m. on June 12, 2024. Present also were Board Members Karen Hirsh, Sophie Koven, and Laura Kostin. The Administration was represented by Attorney Abby Wadler. The Board was represented by Attorney Gregory J. Vetter. **Student No.: 001081986** was present. **Student No.: 001081986** was not represented by an attorney. The mother of **Student No.: 001081986** was present.

A hearing on the issue of the expulsion was conducted. After all evidence and arguments were heard, Karen Kowalski moved to go into Executive Session and Karen Hirsh seconded. All voted in favor and the panel retired to Executive Session at approximately 1:18 p.m. Karen Kowalski moved to come out of Executive Session and Karen Hirsh seconded. All voted in favor. The panel came out of Executive Session at approximately 1:34 p.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session. A consensus appeared, however, to exist. A summary of the Decision was delivered orally. The attached is a copy of the written Decision.

Karen Kowalski moved that the Decision be adopted by the Board. Karen Hirsh seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

Karen Kowalski moved that the meeting be adjourned. Karen Hirsh seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:43 p.m.

Greenwich Board of Education

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Karen Kowalski  
Chair of the Board Panel

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**DATE:** October 17, 2024

**PLACE:** Havemeyer Building

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Board:**

- Ms. Karen Hirsh, Acting Chair
- Ms. Wendy Vizzo Walsh, Secretary (remote)
- Mr. Cody Kittle
- Ms. Laura Kostin
- Ms. Sophie Koven
- Dr. Michael-Joseph Mercanti-Anthony (remote)
- Ms. Kathleen Stowe

**1. Meeting Opening**

**A. Call to Order** - Ms. Hirsh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**2. Executive Session**

**A. Filling of a Board Vacancy - Ms. Hirsh**

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to enter into executive session to discuss the filling of a Board vacancy. The motion was seconded by Ms. Koven.
<b>VOTE</b>	7 in favor, none opposed.
	<b>MOTION PASSED</b>

The Board moved into executive session to discuss the filling of the Board vacancy and potential candidates for the vacancy.

No action was taken.

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to exit the executive session at 7:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Koven.
<b>VOTE</b>	7 in favor, none opposed.
	<b>MOTION PASSED</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Vizzo Walsh  
Secretary

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## RETREAT OF THE GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** October 17, 2024

**PLACE:** Havemeyer Building (Virtually via Zoom)

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **Board:**

Ms. Karen Hirsh, Acting Chair  
Ms. Wendy Vizzo Walsh, Secretary (*via Zoom*)  
Mr. Cody Kittle  
Ms. Laura Kostin  
Ms. Sophie Koven  
Dr. Michael-Joseph Mercanti-Anthony (*absent*)  
Ms. Kathleen Stowe

#### **Administration:**

Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent  
Dr. Ann Carabillo, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. Ben Branyan, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer  
Dr. Stacey Heiligenthaler, Chief Officer of Special Education and Student Supports  
Mr. Marc D'Amico, Chief Officer of K-12 Curriculum and Leadership  
Mr. Jonathan Supranowitz, Director of Communications  
Mr. Michael Ting, Chief Technology Officer (*absent*)  
Dr. Jonathan Budd, Chief Human Resources Officer (*absent*)

#### **Other:**

Mr. Ralph Mayo, Ms. Kim Paladino, Ms. Lucy Arecco, Ms. Tara Fogel, Mr. Shawn Hoyt, Mr. James Antonucci, Mr. Andrew Byrne, Mr. Geoffrey Schenker, Ms. Christina Shaw, Ms. Bonnie O'Regan, Mr. Dan Watson, Mr. Peter Georgiou, Mr. Kerry Gavin, Ms. Klara Monaco, Ms. Diane Fox, Ms. Dana Firmender, Mr. Eduardo Calderon, Dr. Daniel Russo, Ms. Kathleen Ramirez, Ms. Jill Flood, Dr. Jen Bencivengo, Ms. Mary Grandville, Mr. Jason Martin, Mr. Tom Healy, Mr. Marc Guarino, Ms. Suzanne Coyne, Mr. Mike Reid.

### **1. Meeting Opening**

**A. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by Ms. Hirsh at 7:21 pm.  
(0:00:01 on the meeting tape)

### **2. Discussion Items**

**A. Achievement Data Report 2023–24 - Mr. D'Amico**  
(0:01:41 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones introduced the item, thanking all the staff in attendance, noting all the hard work they put in on a daily basis, before turning the floor over to Mr. D’Amico.

Mr. D’Amico provided an overview of the document and the accompanying video, noting that administrators and program directors were in attendance to answer questions.

During Board discussion, topics crossed over subject areas, and included achievement and growth rate across all grade levels

**B. Curriculum Plan/Review Cycle - Mr. D'Amico**

(1:52:49 on the meeting tape)

Mr. D’Amico shared a quick recap of the presentation before opening the floor to Board discussion.

Topics covered during Board discussion included the result of internal audits, FLES, and PreK.

**C. Climate Survey 2024 - Dr. Jones**

(2:17:55 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones noted the information shared in the report and that the individual school survey results are to be posted to the school sites tomorrow morning.

The Board discussed school follow up and the higher rate of responses. Dr. Jones commented that the school principals review the surveys and react accordingly to respond to community needs.

**D. FY25 Capital Budget Planning - Mr. Branyan**

(2:26:47 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Branyan noted that he recently met with the BOE Budget Committee and some adjustments to the Capital Budget were made. He then outlined the changes, including the removal of the HAS HVAC item before opening the floor to Board discussion.

The Board discussed lights at Western Middle School, the access road at Greenwich High School, and the HAS HVAC system.

It was noted by Acting Chair Hirsh that additional Board questions should be submitted to the Superintendent as soon as possible.

**3. Action Item**

**A. 9221 Board Vacancy - Ms. Hirsh**

(2:37:37 on the meeting tape)

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Stowe moved to caucus. The motion was seconded by Ms. Koven.
<b>VOTE</b>	6 in favor, none opposed.
	<b>MOTION PASSED</b>

When the Board returned from caucus, Ms. Hirsh provided a recap of the recent events to inform the community and shared details and history of the Board's process.

<b>MOTION</b>	Mr. Kittle moved to delay the vote. The motion was seconded by Ms. Vizzo Walsh.
<b>VOTE</b>	6 in favor, none opposed.
	<b>MOTION PASSED</b>

Following the vote, the Board discussed the desire to meet next Wednesday to vote on this topic.

#### **4. Adjournment**

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Koven moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kostin.
<b>VOTE</b>	6 in favor, none opposed.
	<b>MOTION PASSED</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Vizzo Walsh  
Secretary



## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** October 24, 2024

**PLACE:** Virtually via Zoom

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **Board:**

Ms. Karen Hirsh, Acting Chair

Ms. Wendy Vizzo Walsh, Secretary

Mr. Cody Kittle (*absent*)

Ms. Laura Kostin

Ms. Sophie Koven

Dr. Michael-Joseph Mercanti-Anthony

Ms. Kathleen Stowe

Mr. Paul Cappiali (in attendance, but not permitted to participate)

#### **Administration:**

Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent

Dr. Ann Carabillo, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Stacey Heiligenthaler, Chief Officer of Special Education and Student Supports (*absent*)

Mr. Marc D'Amico, Chief Officer of K-12 Curriculum and Leadership

Mr. Jonathan Supranowitz, Director of Communications

Mr. Michael Ting, Chief Technology Officer

Dr. Jonathan Budd, Chief Human Resources Officer

#### **Other:**

Mr. Rocky Zou, Mr. Mihir Shah, Ms. Lil Perrone, Mr. John Fisher, Mr. Dan Watson, Ms. Ellen Brezovsky, Ms. Corina Restrepo, Ms. Lauren Winston. Ms. Jen Behette.

### **1. Meeting Opening**

**A. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by Ms. Hirsh at 7:01 pm.

(0:00:08 on the meeting tape)

Following the call to order, Acting Chair Hirsh requested the Board Clerk move Mr. Cappiali to the attendees. During Board discussion, Acting Chair Hirsh noted that Ms. Behette was appointed to the Board at their October 21 meeting. Dr. Mercanti-Anthony and Ms. Vizzo Walsh noted that Ms. Behette's standing as a board member is in question, that there is an ongoing legal dispute, and requested their statement questioning the legal order of the meeting be noted in the minutes. Ms. Hirsh welcomed a lengthy discussion to take place at a later date.

### **2. Consent Agenda**

**A. 9326 Action on Secretary’s Request to Approve Minutes of the September 12 Special Meeting, September 26 Special Meeting, September 26 Business Meeting, and October 21 Emergency Meeting - Ms. Vizzo Walsh**

(0:00:38 on the meeting tape)

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to approve minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stowe.
<b>VOTE</b>	3 in favor, two opposed (Dr. Mercanti-Anthony and Ms. Vizzo Walsh). Ms. Hirsh abstained. Mr. Kittle absent. Mr. Cappiali was not permitted to vote.
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\* subject to outcome of FOIA matter

Mr. Mercanti-Anthony objected to the draft minutes, citing inaccurate reasons given to justify the emergency nature of the 10/21 meeting, which Ms. Vizzo Walsh characterized as a “sham emergency meeting.”

The Board briefly discussed removing the October 21 minutes from the consent agenda prior to the question being called.

**3. Public Hearing - Reference Board Policy 9325**

**A. GHS Student Government Comments**

(0:01:02 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Mihir Shah, Student Body Vice-President, stated that this is an important time for all grades and commented that a successful Homecoming week recently concluded. He noted that Freshman class officers have been elected and that he is serving on the cell phone regulation committee, commenting that positive conversations were taking place on this topic.

Mr. Rocky Zou, Student Body President, noted that SGA committee chair assignments have been assigned. He also commented that SGA’s goal is to draft at least one policy proposal to bring to the Board.

**B. GEA Comments**

(0:06:30 on the meeting tape)

GEA President Lil Perone shared GEA thoughts on the Board vacancy turmoil, noting that morale is down among staff members in the schools.

**C. PTA Council Comments**

(0:10:45 on the meeting tape)

Mr. John Fisher, PTAC President, implored parents to join their school PTAs before noting PTAC support for the Capital Budget and Operating Budget.

**D. Community Comments**

(0:15:33 on the meeting tape)

Ms. Carey Bisbee, Riverside School PTA member, requested the Board support the Riverside School renovation project in the Capital Budget.

Ms. Jessica Punchatz, Riverside School teacher, requested the Board support the Riverside School renovation project in the Capital Budget.

Mr. Jason Martin, Riverside School Principal, requested the Board support the Riverside School renovation project in the Capital Budget.

Ms Betsy McIntyre, Riverside School Co-PTA President, requested the Board support the Riverside School renovation project in the Capital Budget.

Ms. Abi Clark, PTAC Green Schools Co-Chair, provided a recap of the committee work and their goals for the 2024-2025 school year.

Mr. Harry Fisher, BET Chair, offered his opinion on the issue of the Board vacancy.

#### **4. Monthly Reports**

##### **A. Superintendent's Report**

(0:35:48 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones offered her congratulations to the Julian Curtiss School community on the wonderful UN Day Parade, noting that 53 different countries were represented in the parade. She noted that photos of the renovated baseball field at Greenwich High School have been posted to social media, and that the work of the Riverside School Feasibility Committee is well underway, with the architect scheduled to meet with staff. Dr. Jones closed by noting that the Operating Budget presentation will take place at the November 7 Budget meeting, and thanked Mr. Patrick Lai for his tireless work, commenting that he has held over 80 meetings with staff members during the budget creation process.

##### **B. Reports of Officers, Committees, and Liaisons**

(0:55:27 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Mercanti-Anthony commented that the Policy Governance Committee is meeting on a two week cadence, with the next meeting scheduled for October 30 and noted that the work of the Old Greenwich School Building Committee is moving forward and that a Board special meeting will likely be needed in mid-November to approve costs.

Ms. Stowe encouraged the community to sign up and participate in the annual Greenwich Alliance for Education Turkey Trot.

Ms. Kostin noted that the Central Middle School Building Committee is hosting a Community Forum on Tuesday, beginning at 7:00 pm.

Ms. Hirsh stated that the Textbook Committee met today regarding the AP Psychology textbook where they listened to presentations.

Ms. Koven commented that the Riverside School Feasibility Committee is meeting regularly.

**5. Action Items**

**A. Greenwich Together- Approval of Survey - Dr. Heiligenthaler**

(1:05:29 on the meeting tape)

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to approve the plan to administer the Greenwich Together Youth Survey to students in grades 7-12 in the Greenwich Public Schools. The motion was seconded by Dr. Mercanti-Anthony.
<b>VOTE</b>	5 in favor, one opposed (Ms. Vizzo Walsh). Mr. Kittle absent. Mr. Cappiali not permitted to vote.
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\* subject to outcome of FOIA matter

Ms. Ellen Brezovsky, Ms. Corina Restrepo, and Ms. Lauren Winston, representing Greenwich Together, introduced the item before the floor was opened for discussion.

During Board discussion, topics included the sharing and implementation of findings, private school participation, and possible changes to the administration of the survey.

**B. 3120 FY26 Capital Budget - Mr. Branyan**

(1:25:32 on the meeting tape)

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to approve FY26 Capital Plan of \$19,686,000, of which General Fund Capital is \$19,176,000 and Food Services Capital of \$510,000. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stowe.
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Ms. Stowe provided background on the work done to date and an overview of the budget breakdown, noting that the ADA updates represent \$5.8 MM of the total.

Ms. Kostin exited the meeting at 8:15 pm.

<b>MOTION</b>	Dr. Mercanti-Anthony moved to amend to remove \$48MM for Riverside School renovations in 27-28 FY to 26-27 FY. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stowe.
<b>VOTE</b>	4 in favor, one opposed (Ms. Vizzo Walsh). Mr. Kittle and Ms. Kostin absent. Mr. Cappiali was not permitted to vote.
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\* subject to outcome of FOIA matter

The Board discussed the appropriateness of the A&E funding amount, if the timing would work and the feelings of the building committee.

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Hirsh moved to approve FY26 Capital Plan of \$19,686,000, of which General Fund Capital is \$19,176,000, with the change to Riverside School funding from 27-28 FY to 26-27 FY, and Food Services Capital of \$510,000. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stowe.
<b>VOTE</b>	5 in favor, none opposed. Mr. Kittle and Ms. Kostin absent. Mr. Cappiali was not permitted to vote.
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\* subject to outcome of FOIA matter

**C. Hamilton Avenue HVAC Evaluation Report - Mr. Branyan**

(2:03:33 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Branyan provided an update on the timeline for more specific numbers related to State reimbursement and noted that the thermal connectivity pressure test was positive.

The Board discussed the thoughts of the RTM Budget Oversight Committee and the timeline for approval to include this in the Capital Budget, as well as the lifespan of the system.

The Board agreed to table a vote on this item until a later date.

**6. Discussion Items**

**A. 3110 Monthly Financial Report- Mr. Branyan**

(2:22:50 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Branyan provided an overview of the document, noting that the decrease in Title 1 funding is impacting the overall budget. When asked if this decrease was fixable, he noted that the process by the State is formulaic, a meeting was held with the State, and no changes are possible.

**B. 3160 Budget Transfers- Mr. Branyan**

(2:27:50 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Branyan provided an overview of the report, noting that the transfers were informational only and that this is the first report for the fiscal year.

**C. October 1, 2024 Official Enrollment Update - Dr. Jones**

(2:27:50 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones introduced the item and highlighted specific graphs showing average class size over time and high needs data.

During Board discussion, staff reductions over time were discussed, as well as possible reasons behind the decrease in students, and how GPS compares to comparable districts.

**D. Tech Program Executive Summary - Mr. Ting**

(2:27:50 on the meeting tape)

Mr. Ting provided an overview of the document, noting large projects recently completed and praising the work of long-tenured IT member Mr. Chris DiAngelo. The Board shared their gratitude for the report and the work of the department, and it was noted that the cybersecurity project is still in progress.

**E. WMS Soil Update - Dr. Jones**

(2:27:50 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones commented that all of the turf has been laid at Western Middle School and preliminary discussions have been held regarding an open date and ribbon cutting ceremony.

**7. Agenda Plan Discussion**

**A. 9323 2022-2023 BOE Meeting Agenda Plan - Dr. Jones**

(2:29:42 on the meeting tape)

The following items were discussed during agenda planning:

- Adding the HAS HVAC action item to a meeting TBD
- A special meeting on OGSBC funding at a date TBD
- An executive session to be scheduled for next week at a date and time TBD

**8. Adjournment**

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Stowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Koven.
<b>VOTE</b>	4 in favor, none opposed (Mr. Kittle and Ms. Kostin absent, Mr. Cappiali was not permitted to vote.).
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\* subject to outcome of FOIA matter

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Vizzo Walsh  
Secretary

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF  
GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

This special meeting of the Greenwich Board of Education for the purpose of considering the expulsion of **Student No.: 001095583** was called to order by Karen Hirsh, Chair, at approximately 8:39 a.m. on October 25, 2024. Present also were Board Members Wendy Vizzo Walsh, Sophie Koven, and Kathleen Stowe. The Administration was represented by Attorney Abby Wadler. The Board was represented by Attorney Gregory J. Vetter. **Student No.: 001095583** was present. The parents of **Student No.: 001095583** were present.

A hearing on the issue of the expulsion was conducted. After all evidence and arguments were heard, Kathleen Stowe moved to go into Executive Session and Sophie Koven seconded. All voted in favor and the panel retired to Executive Session at approximately 9:32 a.m. Kathleen Stowe moved to come out of Executive Session and Karen Hirsh seconded. All voted in favor. The panel came out of Executive Session at approximately 10:03 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session. A consensus appeared, however, to exist. A summary of the Decision was delivered orally. The attached is a copy of the written Decision.

Karen Hirsh moved that the Decision be adopted by the Board. Kathleen Stowe seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

Karen Hirsh moved that the meeting be adjourned. Kathleen Stowe seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:18 a.m.

Greenwich Board of Education

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Karen Hirsh  
Chair of the Board Panel

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF  
GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

This special meeting of the Greenwich Board of Education for the purpose of considering the expulsion of **Student No.: 001084781** was called to order by Karen Hirsh, Chair, at approximately 9:10 a.m. on November 1, 2024. Present also were Board Members Sophie Koven and Dr. Michael Mercanti-Anthony. The Administration was represented by Attorney Abby Wadler. The Board was represented by Attorney Gregory J. Vetter. **Student No.: 001084781** was present. **Student No.: 001084781** was not represented by an attorney. The grandmother of **Student No.: 001084781** was present.

A hearing on the issue of the expulsion was conducted. After all evidence and arguments were heard, Karen Hirsh moved to go into Executive Session and Sophie Koven seconded. All voted in favor and the panel retired to Executive Session at approximately 9:53 a.m. Karen Hirsh moved to come out of Executive Session and Sophie Koven seconded. All voted in favor. The panel came out of Executive Session at approximately 10:20 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session. A consensus appeared, however, to exist. A summary of the Decision was delivered orally. The attached is a copy of the written Decision.

Karen Hirsh moved that the Decision be adopted by the Board. Dr. Michael Mercanti-Anthony seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

Sophie Koven moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Michael Mercanti-Anthony seconded it. **All voted in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:37 a.m.

Greenwich Board of Education

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Karen Hirsh  
Chair of the Board Panel



## BUDGET MEETING OF THE GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** November 7, 2024

**PLACE:** Virtually via Zoom

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **Board:**

Ms. Karen Hirsh, Acting Chair

Ms. Wendy Vizzo Walsh, Secretary

Mr. Cody Kittle (*absent*)

Ms. Laura Kostin

Ms. Sophie Koven

Dr. Michael-Joseph Mercanti-Anthony

Ms. Kathleen Stowe

Mr. Paul Cappiali (*Acting Chair barred this certified Board member from attending as a seated and voting member; however, Mr. Cappiali was in attendance via public link.*)

#### **Administration:**

Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent

Dr. Ann Carabillo, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Stacey Heiligenthaler, Chief Officer of Special Education and Student Supports (*absent*)

Mr. Blaize Levitan, Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Marc D'Amico, Chief Officer of K-12 Curriculum and Leadership

Mr. Jonathan Supranowitz, Director of Communications

Mr. Michael Ting, Chief Technology Officer

Dr. Jonathan Budd, Chief Human Resources Officer (*absent*)

#### **Other:**

Mr. Patrick Lai, Ms. Jen Behette

### **1. Meeting Opening**

**A. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by Ms. Hirsh at 7:01 pm.

(0:00:01 on the meeting tape)

Ms. Vizzo Walsh conducted a roll call of Board members, noted that Ms. Behette was attending as a guest, and asked the Acting Chair to send certified Board Member Cappiali a link to the meeting, which Acting Chair refused to do.

### **2. Budget Report**

**A. Superintendent's Proposed 2025-26 Operating Budget (1st Read) - Dr. Jones**

(0:20:31 on the meeting tape)

Dr. Jones presented a PowerPoint for her proposed FY26 Operating Budget. The PPT included an overview of the current state of GPS as well as looks backwards and forwards. She stated that the proposed Operating Budget totals \$202,931,051, which is \$10,307,488 more or a 5.4% increase year-over-year.

During Board discussion, it was noted that Board questions regarding the budget should be sent to the Superintendent via email.

### **3. Adjournment**

<b>MOTION</b>	Ms. Koven moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stowe.
<b>VOTE</b>	6 in favor, none opposed (Mr. Kittle absent, Mr. Cappiali not permitted to participate).
	<b>MOTION PASSED*</b>

\*status of motions are subject to pending FOI matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Vizzo Walsh  
Secretary